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WILMINGTON, N. C., Tuesday, Nov. 3, 1903.

The Synod of North Carolina met in its ninetieth annual session on Tuesday, November 3, 1903, at 11 o'clock a. m. in the First Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, N. C., and was opened with a sermon by the retiring Moderator, the Rev. C. G. Vardell, D. D., on the text: "Thy Kingdom Come," Matt. 6:10.

After the sermon the Synod was called to order and constituted with prayer by the Moderator, the Rev. C. G. Vardell, D. D.

The roll was called by Presbyteries, and the following ministers were present and enrolled during the sessions of Synod:*

I.—ORANGE PRESBYTERY.

MINISTERS.	CHURCHES.	RULING ELDERS.
D. I. Craig.		
E. W. Smith, D. D.		
J. McL. Seabrook.	Buffalo.	W. D. Wharton.
R. E. Caldwell, D. D.	Winston.	J. M. Rogers.
Joseph Evans.		
E. E. Gillespie.		
E. C. Murray, D. D.		
C. E. Hodgkin.2	Westminster.	J. C. Wharton. 2
R. G. Matheson.2	Durham, 2nd.	J. C. Linthicum.
E. R. Leyburn.	Durham, 1st.	Geo. W. Watts. 2
M. C. Arrowood.		
S. M. Rankin.	Hillsboro.	Shepperd Strudwick.

The following ministers of Orange Presbytery were absent: A. Currie, R. W. Culbertson, B. B. Palmer (Colored), C. W. Robinson, H. D. LeQueux, R. W. George, S. H. Williamson, R. L. Wharton, J. W. Goodman, B. W. Mebane, D. D., J. H. Grey, S. C. Smith, and R. W. Hines.—13.

*The figure denotes the day one was enrolled.

The following churches were not represented: Alamance, Asbury, Asheboro, Bethany, Bethel, Bethlehem, Bethesda, Beulah (Colored), Burlington, Chapel Hill, Clark Memorial (Colored), Cross Roads, Danbury, Dan River, Ebenezer, Elkin 1st, Elkin (Colored), Elin (Colored), Eno, Fairfield, Gilead, Graham, Greensboro, Griers, Hawfields, High Point, Jamestown, Jefferson, Leaksville, Lexington, Little River, Madison, Mebane, Midway, Milton, Mt. Airy, New Hope, North Wilkesboro, Pine Hall, Pine Ridge, Red House, Reidsville, Roxboro, Sandy Ridge, Saxapahaw, Snow Hill, Snow Memorial, Speedwell, Springwood, Stony Creek, Wentworth, Wilkesboro, Worthville and Yanceyville.—54.

II.—CONCORD PRESBYTERY.

MINISTERS.	CHURCHES.	RULING ELDERS.
J. Rumble, D. D.	Salisbury.	H. G. Tyson.
J. M. Wharey, D. D.		
C. A. Munroe.		
W. R. McLelland.		
R. S. Arrowood.		
J. B. Shearer, D. D. ²		
A. T. Graham, D. D.	Davidson College.	F. J. Knox.
R. W. Boyd.		
J. C. Kennedy.		
W. C. Brown. ²	Concord, (Ire).	H. C. Summers.
W. J. Tidball. ²		
J. A. Gilmer.	Back Creek.	H. E. Shoaf.
J. A. Scott.		
J. M. McLain.		
W. S. Wilson.		
C. M. Richards.	Statesville.	M. R. Adams.
R. J. Hunter.	Rocky Biver.	Dr. J. R. Wilson.
J. P. Hall.		
L. M. Kerschner.		
A. J. Crane.	Bethphage.	E. L. Eisenhour.
Edgar Tufts. ²		
	Hickory.	J. E. Haithcock.

The following ministers of Concord Presbytery were absent: W. W. Pharr, D. D., J. W. Davis, D. D., B. L. Beall, L. McKinnon, D. D., E. E. Pressly, J. A. Harris, J. M. Greenlee, John Wakefield, G. H. Cornelson Jr., W. A. Gillon, F. M. Allen, W. W. Edge and A. S. Caldwell.—13.

The following churches were not represented: Banner Elk, Bethany, Bethesda, Blowing Rock, Bridgewater, Cannonville, Centre, Chestnut Hill, China Grove, Cleveland, Clio, Cooleemee, Concord 1st, Cove Creek,

Elk Park, Elmwood, Estatoe, Fifth Creek, Franklin, Front Street, Gilwood, Glen Alpine, Greenlee, Harrisburg, Lenoir, Marion, McKinnon, Mocksville, Mooresville, Morganton, Newton, Newdale, New Salem, Old Fort, Paint Gap, Patterson Mill, Pineola, Poplar Tent, Quaker Meadows, Shearer, Sherrill's Ford, Shiloh, Siloam, Spencer, Spruce Pine, Tabor, Taylorsville, Third Creek, Thyatira, Troutman, Turkey Cove, Unity, Waldensian, Vine Valley, White Hall, Yadkinville and Zion.—58.

III.—FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY.

MINISTERS.	CHURCHES.	RULING ELDERS.
H. G. Hill, D. D.,	Maxton.	E. F. McRae.
	Centre.	A. A. Watson.
A. N. Ferguson.	Midway.	G. C. Fisher.
K. M. McIntyre, D. D.		
P. R. Law.	Rockingham.	G. A. Griffith.
J. S. Black.		
M. N. McIver.	Beth Carr.	Dr. J. B. Brown.
M. D. McNeill.		
W. R. Coppedge.		
C. G. Vardell, D. D.		
J. P. McMillan, D. D.		
J. M. Rose, D. D.	Laurinburg.	Peter McRae.
G. T. Pace.		
W. T. Walker.	Iona.	J. E. Price.
L. A. McLaurin.	Raeford.	Dr. G. A. Graham.
L. Smith.		
D. Munroe.		
E. W. Souders.		
	Antioch.	Joe. A. McBryde.
	Bensalem.	J. C. McDuffie.
	Gulf.	J. M. McIver.
	Bethesda.	D. J. Campbell.
	Galatia.	J. H. Currie.
	Red Springs.	John McLean.
	Salem.	Dr. J. L. Shepperd.

The following ministers of Fayetteville Presbytery were absent: David Fairley, K. A. McLeod, L. L. Little, W. C. Buchannan, H. T. Graham, C. F. Rankin, W. F. Thom, J. K. Roberts, J. A. Caligan, T. F. Haney, V. G. Smith.—II.

The following churches were not represented: Aberdeen, Ashepole, Bakers, Barbecue, Bethel, Big Rockfish, Bluff, Buffalo, Cameron, Cameron Hill, Cameronian, Carthage, Church of Covenant, Culdee, Cypress, Dunn, Ellerbe Springs, Euphronia, Fayetteville, Flat Branch, Gibson, Hamlet,

Haywood, Hillside, Hope Mills, Ida Mills, Jackson Springs, Jonesboro, Kenly, Laurel Hill, Lebanon, Long Street, Lumber Bridge, Lumberton, Macedonia, Mark's Creek, Manly, Montpelier, McPherson, McMillan, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Tabor, Mt. Pisgah, Mt. Venon Springs, Oakland, Parkton, Pee Dee, Philadelphus, Philippi, Pittsboro, Pocket, Roberdel, Rowland, Sandy Grove, Sanford, Sardis, Shannon, Sharon, Sherwood, Shiloh, Smithfield, Smyrna, Summerville, Sunnyside, St. Andrews, St. Paul's, Troy, Union, Wadeville, White Hill.—70.

IV.—WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY.

MINISTERS.	CHURCHES.	RULING ELDERS.
Colin Shaw.		
A. McFadyen.	Clarkton.	A. C. Johnston.
Peter McIntyre.		
A. D. McClure, D. D.	St. Andrews.	Oscar Pearsall.
S. H. Isler.		
J. E. L. Winecoff.	Mt. Horeb.	W. S. Clark. 2
W. M. Shaw. 3	Chadbourne.	J. S. Shaver.
R. M. Williams.	Duplin Roads.	W. J. Boney. 3
	Rockfish.	G. B. Carr.
	Teacheys.	J. C. McMillan. 3
D. P. McGeachy.		
J. M. Wells.	Wilmington, 1st.	Chas. H. Robinson.
L. E. Wells. 2		
R. M. Mann.	Clinton.	W. K. Pigford. 2
	Oakplain.	W. I. Hall.
C. W. Trawick.		
V. H. Starbuck.	Caswell.	Geo. F. Lucas.
J. C. Story.	New Hope.	Jackson Johnston.
T. D. Johnston.	Mt. Williams.	J. R. Bannerman.
	Hallsville.	S. O. Middleton.

The Rev. James Kelly, the only minister absent.—1

The following churches were not represented: Beth Carr, Black River, Bladenboro, Beulah, Burgaw, Chinquepin, Cobbs Mills, Croatan, Cronly, Elizabethtown, Faison, Grove, Harmony, Hebron, Hopewell, Hub, Inmanuel, Keith, Maple Hill, Mt. Olive, Mt. Zion, Pike, Pollocksville, Richland, Smiths, Southport, South River, Stanford, Sweet Home, Topsail, Verona, Warsaw, White Hall, White Plain, Whiteville, Wildwood.—36.

V.—MECKLENBURG PRESBYTERY.

MINISTERS.	CHURCHES.	RULING ELDERS.
J. R. McAlpine.		
William Black.		
T. J. Allison.		

MINISTERS.	CHURCHES.	RULING ELDERS.
J. R. Howerton, D. D.	Charlotte, 1st.	R. A. Dunn.
J. A. Dorritee.		
W. O. Sample.	Carmel.	W. W. Alexander.
G. W. Belk.		
Geo. L. Cook.		
A. J. McKelway, D. D.		
D. McIver.		
G. H. Atkinson.	Monroe.	W. A. Lane.
P. H. Gwinn.	Steel Creek.	R. C. Freeman.
M. D. Hardin.	Charlotte, 2nd.	J. B. Ross.

The following ministers of Mecklenburg Presbytery were absent: S. C. Boyce, J. W. Moore, J. M. Grier, H. W. Hoon, S. H. Spencer, J. A. McMurray, A. H. Temple, J. J. Harrell, J. R. Bridges, D. D., G. C. Huntington, W. H. Davis, A. W. White, J. H. Dixon, J. B. Mack, D. D., J. E. Summers.—15.

The following churches were not represented: Albemarle, Alton, Amity, Banks, Barclay, Bethel, Bethlehem, Beulah (S.), Beulah (U.), Cook's Memorial, Hopewell, Huntersville, Lebanon, Lilesville, Mallard Creek, Matthews, Morven, Mulberry, Mispah, Newell, New London, Norwood, Paw Creek, Pleasant Hill, Providence, Pineville, Philadelphia, Polkton, Ramah, Robinson, Salem, Siler, Sharon, Seversville, Sugar Creek, Waxhaw, Wadesboro, Westminster, Williams Memorial and Tenth Avenue.—40.

VI.—ALBEMARLE PRESBYTERY.

MINISTERS.	CHURCHES.	RULING ELDERS.
C. N. Wharton.		
E. D. Brown.		
W. D. Morton, D. D.	Rocky Mount.	S. K. Fountain.
E. P. Bradley.	Nutbush.	J. M. B. Hunt.
H. S. Bradshaw.		
J. E. Wool.		
J. H. Henderlite.		
G. W. Lawson.		
R. W. Alexander. 2	Tarboro.	J. D. Kelly.
	Goldsboro.	John Slaughter.
	Raleigh, 1st.	James Dinwiddie.

The following ministers of Albemarle Presbytery were absent: F. W. Farries, James Thomas, L. C. Vass, J. H. Jarvis, F. G. Hartman, R. L. Grier and C. W. McDanald.—7.

The following churches were not represented: Atkinson Memorial, Aurora, Brookston's, Cann Memorial, Calvary, Dover, Falkland, Geneva,

Grassy Creek, Greenville, Henderson, LaGrange, Littleton, Louisburg, Makelyville, Nahalah, Newbern, Oak Hill, Olivet, Oxford, Parmele, Roanoke, Roanoke Rapids, Scotland Neck, Shiloh, Strickland, Warrenton, Washington, Weldon, Wilson, Young Memorial.—31.

VII.—ASHEVILLE PRESBYTERY.

MINISTERS.	CHURCHES.	RULING ELDERS.
R. F. Campbell, D. D.	Asheville.	Herman Meader.
The following ministers of Asheville Presbytery were absent: E. A. Sample, E. Mac. Davis, F. D. Hunt, R. S. Eskridge, D. M. Douglas, T. W. DeVane, R. P. Smith, S. W. Newell, C. C. Brown, and R. B. Grinnan, D. D.—10.		

The following churches were not represented: Andrews, Bethel, Brevard, Bryson City, Centre, Covenanters, Davidson River, Dillsboro, Franklin, Hayesville, Hendersonville, Highland, Jennie Spear Memorial, Midway, Mills River, Morrison, Murphy, Oak Forest, Preston, Robbinsville, Swannanoa and Waynesville.—22.

VIII.—KING'S MOUNTAIN PRESBYTERY.

MINISTERS.	CHURCHES.	RULING ELDERS.
R. Z. Johnston.		
R. A. Miller.	Lowell.	D. H. Cox.
R. C. Morrison.		
M. McG. Shields.	Gastonia.	A. M. Smyre.
S. L. Cathey. 2		
W. H. Wilson.	Castanea Grove.	F. A. Henderson.
	Olney.	G. M. Dickson.

The following ministers of King's Mountain Presbytery were absent: J. J. Kennedy, G. A. Sparrow, T. F. Boozer, M. A. Henderson, W. R. Minter, T. C. Croker, J. M. Forbis, W. A. Murray and J. B. Cochrane—9.

The following churches were not represented: Beattyville, Belmont, Bessemer City, Brittain, Cherryville, Columbus, Dallas, Drusilla, Duncan's Creek, Forest City, Henrietta, Hephzibah, Ironton, King's Mountain, Lincolnton, Long Creek, Machphelah, Mooresboro, Mt. Holly, New Hope, Rutherfordton, Sandy Plains, Shelby, Shiloh, Stanley Creek, Union, Unity and Waco.—28.

The foregoing roll shows the names of 95 Ministers and 58 Ruling Elders present, making a total of 153; and also 9 Corresponding Members and 6 Visiting Brethren were present, making a sum total of 168.

The Rev. A. T. Graham, D. D., of Concord Presbytery

was elected Moderator and the Rev. W. R. McLelland and Rev. E. D. Brown were chosen Temporary Clerks.

It was ordered that the daily sessions of Synod be from 9:30 o'clock a. m. to 12:30 p. m.; from 3 o'clock p. m. to 5:30 p. m. and from 8 o'clock p. m. to continue at the will of the Synod.

The Moderator appointed the following Standing Committee on Special Orders, viz.: Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D., chairman, Rev. W. D. Morton, D. D., and Ruling Elder J. M. Rogers.

The pastor of the Wilmington 1st Church, Rev. J. M. Wells, in behalf of the ladies of the church and the Presbyterian congregations, tendered the following program of invitations, which was accepted with the thanks of the Synod:

1. That the Synod are invited to attend a reception this evening (Tuesday) from 8 to 11 o'clock, in the Chadbourn Memorial Hall of this church.
2. That Wednesday afternoon the Synod are invited to take a trip on the trolley cars to "Wrightsville Beach."
3. That the Synod are invited to take recess at 4:30 o'clock on Friday afternoon for the purpose of taking a trip along the river front on the steamer "Wilmington."

Recess was then taken until 3 o'clock p. m.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Tuesday, Nov. 3, 1903.

The Synod met at 3 o'clock p. m. and resumed business. Additional members were enrolled.

The Committee on Special Orders made a partial report recommending that Synod hear the Rev. T. H. Law, D. D., agent of the American Bible Society, in the interest of that cause this afternoon at 4 o'clock. Adopted.

The Rev. T. H. Law, D. D., of the Synod of South

Carolina was invited to sit as a Corresponding Member, and was introduced to Synod.

On motion the reading of the minutes of last sessions, the same having been printed, was dispensed with.

The Standing Rule requiring members who are tardy to report to the committee on Leave of Absence was temporarily suspended, and the members who were detained to-day by failure to make the proper railroad connection were excused in a body.

The Stated Clerk presented the report of the Directors and Trustees of Union Theological Seminary, which was read and referred to the Standing Committee on Union Theological Seminary.

A communication was received from the Synod's Chairman of the Permanent Committee on Publication and Colportage, which was read and referred to the other members of the committee present.

It was ordered that the report of the Trustees of Synod be referred to the Standing Committee on "The report of the Trustees of Synod," and also the nomination of Trustees for another term.

The report of the Treasurer of Synod was read and referred to the Standing Committee on the Treasurer's Report and Books.

The books and papers of the Treasurer of the 20th Century Fund were also referred to the same committee for examination.

The report of the Treasurer of Synod is as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Rev. D. I. Craig, Treasurer, in account with the Synod of North Carolina, for the year ending November 1, 1903, would respectfully submit the following report:

At the close of the last Synodical year your Treasurer had in hand \$100.00, and an indebtedness of \$85.00, leaving a net balance of \$15.00.

This indebtedness has been paid, and vouchers produced to show the same, and for the past year, your Treasurer has received from the Presbyteries and other sources the following amounts:

RECEIPTS.

Balance in hand Oct. 22, 1902	\$100.00	
Rev. Wm. Black, surplus from the Evangelical and Biblical Institute	2.80	
Concord Presbytery assessment for 1903	60.00	
Orange Presbytery assessment for 1903	55.00	
Wilmington Presbytery assessment for 1903	40.00	
King's Mountain Presbytery assessment for 1903	22.88	
Asheville Presbytery assessment for 1903	15.00	
Fayetteville Presbytery balance on 1902 \$40 and assessment for 1903 \$60	100.00	
Mecklenburg Presbytery balance on 1901, and \$55 on 1902	75.00	\$470.68

AMOUNTS DUE THE SYNOD'S FUND.

From Mecklenburg Presbytery balance on 1902 \$10.00, and assessment for the year 1903 \$65	\$ 75.00
From Albemarle Presbytery assessment for the year 1903	20.00
Total	\$ 95.00

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid J. H. Brady balance on Printing Minutes for 1901 \$ 50.00	
Paid Stated Clerk balance on salary for year 1902	35.00
Paid for Blanks, Postage, Stationery etc. for the year 1902	1.25
Paid Glenn & Loftin for Printing the Minutes of 1903	135.00
Paid for Mailing Minutes, Express, Postage, Drayage etc.	30.50
Paid for Printing the Docket of 1903	2.25
Paid for Binding the 6th Volume of Minutes	1.00
Paid Traveling Expenses of Dr. English to Synod 1902	8.85
Paid Salary of the Stated Clerk for the Year 1903	100.00
Paid for Office Expenses, Postage, Stationery etc. 1903	2.40
	<u>\$366.25</u>
Balance in Bank, November 1, 1903	\$104.43

In connection with the above report, and in view of the fact that a new Presbytery has been erected, we would recommend that the assessment upon the Presbyteries, for the Synod's Contingent Fund be

revised; and that they be reckoned as heretofore, upon the basis of about one cent per member as follows:

Orange	5831	Members,	Assessment	\$ 55.00
Concord	6495	"	"	60.00
Fayetteville	7993	"	"	75.00
Wilmington	3631	"	"	35.00
Mecklenburg	6718	"	"	65.00
Albemarle	2298	"	"	20.00
Asheville	1508	"	"	15.00
King's Mountain	2288	"	"	20.00
Total				<u>\$345.00</u>

Respectfully Submitted,

D. I. CRAIG, Treasurer.

The Permanent Committee on Bible Cause, Rev. V. H. Starbuck acting Chairman, submitted their report which was received, and pending action thereupon, the Rev. T. H. Law D. D., Agent of the American Bible Society addressed the Synod in the interest of the Cause. The report was then considered, amended and adopted, together with the recommendations. The recommendations are as follows:

In view of these considerations (see report in Appendix) your committee would recommend:

(1). That all the churches of the Synod be urged to observe in some suitable manner the first Sabbath in March 1904, as the Centennial of the British and Foreign Bible Society, as the beginning of organized effort in the free distribution of the Word.

(2). That the Chairman of your permanent committee be enjoined to remind each Presbyterial Agent of the October collection about one month previous to the time for it to be taken, and that the Presbyterial Agents in turn be enjoined to remind pastors of the same.

(3). That each church be urged to take an annual collection for this cause and that we endeavor to raise as much as 5 cents per member throughout our Synod.

There is not a stronger promise in Scripture than the one which declares that God's Word shall not return to Him void. Let us claim it.

The Rev. J. N. Cole of the M. E. Church, South, was invited to sit as a visiting brother and was introduced to Synod.

The Synod's Historical Committee, Rev. D. I. Craig, Chairman, submitted the following report which was adopted:

Your Committee has nothing of special interest to report, but we would like to call attention to the origin and purpose of the Synod's Historical Committee, as found in the Printed Minutes, Vol. 3, page 248, and we wish to say that we stand ready to help, in any way possible, to collect all valuable historical papers and documents, and to secure their safe keeping; and to further this, we would recommend:

That this Synod re-affirm and recommend to the Presbyteries, the following resolution adopted October 5th, 1870, namely:

"The Synod recommends to each of the Presbyteries to appoint annually some one of its members to prepare and read before Presbytery a historical sketch of some one or more of the churches within its bounds, and that such sketches be filed away by the Stated Clerk in the Archives of Presbytery." And we would add that a copy of the same be sent, if practicable, to the Librarian of Union Theological Seminary at Richmond, Va., and to the Historical Society at Philadelphia for safe keeping.

Respectfully Submitted,

D. I. CRAIG, Chairman.

The Moderator announced the following Standing Committees.

1. DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES.—Revs. J. M. Wells, Ph. D., A. D. McClure, D. D., C. W. Trawick and Ruling Elder C. H. Robinson.
2. SPECIAL ORDERS.—Revs. H. G. Hill, D. D., W. D. Morton, D. D., and Ruling Elder J. M. Rogers.
3. BILLS AND OVERTURES.—Revs. C. G. Vardell, D. D., J. McL. Seabrook, A. D. McClure, D. D., C. N. Wharton, R. Z. Johnston, and Ruling Elders W. D. Wharton and H. G. Tyson.
4. JUDICIAL COMMITTEE.—Revs. W. D. Morton, D. D., J. Rumble, D. D., Joseph Evans, Colin Shaw, J. R. McAlpine, J. E. Wool, S. H. Isler, Ruling Elders J. A. McBryde, J. M. McIver and John McLean.

5. ADDRESS TO THE CHURCHES.—Revs. J. M. Rose, D. D., J. P. McMillan, D. D., C. A. Munroe, E. C. Murray, D. D., J. S. Black, S. M. Rankin, M. D. Hardin, W. O. Sample, H. S. Bradshaw, Ruling Elders Shepperd Strudwick and M. R. Adams.

6. MINUTES OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY.—Revs. A. McFadyen, K. M. McIntyre, D. D., Wm. Black, W. J. Tidball, G. L. Cook, Ruling Elders W. W. Alexander and A. M. Smyre.

7. UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.—Revs. A. J. McKelway, D. D., C. M. Richards, M. McG. Shields, M. C. Arrowood, J. A. Gilmer and Ruling Elder Geo. W. Watts.

8. SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.—Revs. R. S. Arrowood, E. P. Bradley, M. N. McIver, T. J. Allison, G. W. Belk and Ruling Elder J. E. Price.

9. STATISTICAL REPORTS OF THE PRESBYTERIES.—Revs. D. P. McGeachy, R. M. Mann, Ruling Elders R. C. Freeman and J. B. Ross.

10. REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF SYNOD.—Revs. E. R. Leyburn, J. A. Dorritee and Ruling Elder Dr. G. A. Graham.

11. TREASURER'S REPORT AND BOOKS—Ruling Elders R. A. Dunn, J. E. Haithcock, J. M. McIver, S. K. Fountain.

12. RECORDS OF SYNOD.—Revs. J. M. Wharey, D. D., W. R. Coppedge, J. M. McLain and Ruling Elder G. B. Carr.

13. RECORDS OF PRESBYTERIES.—

Orange—Rev. W. S. Wilson, and Ruling Elders W. I. Hall and E. L. Eisenhour.

Concord—Rev. G. W. Lawson, Ruling Elders V. G. Smith and D. J. Campbell.

Fayetteville—Revs. V. H. Starbuck, J. C. Story and Ruling Elder Jackson Johnston.

Mecklenburg—Revs. L. A. McLaurin, E. W. Souders and Ruling Elder J. C. McDuffie.

Albemarle—Rev. R. J. Hunter, Ruling Elders G. A. Griffith and E. F. McRea.

Asheville—Revs. R. M. Williams, G. H. Atkinson and Ruling Elder W. A. Lane.

King's Mountain—Revs. J. H. Henderlite, D. McIver and Ruling Elder W. W. Alexander.

Wilmington—Rev. W. H. Wilson and Ruling Elder F. J. Knox.

14. LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—Revs. W. T. Walker, T. D. Johnston and Ruling Elder H. E. Shoaf.

The committee on Devotional Exercises made a partial report which was received and adopted.

The Synod then adjourned with prayer by the Rev. J. P. McMillan, D. D., until to-morrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

SECOND DAY.—MORNING SESSION.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Wednesday, Nov. 4, 1903.

The Synod met at 9:30 o'clock a. m. and was opened with devotional exercises conducted by Rev. William Black.

The minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

Additional members appeared and were enrolled.

The committee on Special Orders presented a partial report, which was adopted, recommending that the Rev. A. J. McKelway, D. D., be heard for one half hour in the

interest of the Presbyterian Standard at 10:30 o'clock this morning; that President Henry Louis Smith be heard from 11 o'clock to 11:30 in the interest of Davidson College, and that the Synodical Communion be changed from 11 o'clock to 11:30.

The Presbyterial reports on Systematic Beneficence, the Narratives and Statistical reports were presented and referred to the proper Standing Committees. The reports on Sabbath Schools, in the absence of the Synod's Chairman, were referred to the members present of the Permanent Committee on Sunday Schools, the Rev. P. H. Gwinn to act as Chairman.

The Rev. J. H. Lumpkin D. D., and the Rev. S. H. Chester D. D., both of the Synod of Tenn., were invited to sit as corresponding members; and the Rev. R. B. John of the M. E. Church, South, and the Rev. B. J. Edwards of the Baptist Church were invited to sit as visiting brethren, and all these brethren were introduced to Synod.

The Rev. Dr. A. J. McKelway was heard in the interest of the Presbyterian Standard, and the Moderator appointed the Rev. Dr. W. D. Morton, Rev. A. N. Ferguson and Elder J. M. McIver to formulate a response to the address of Dr. McKelway.

President Henry Louis Smith was then heard in the interest of Davidson College, and the Moderator appointed the Rev. C. N. Wharton, the Rev. S. M. Rankin and the Rev. L. A. McLaurin to prepare a paper in response to the address of Dr. Smith.

The Synod took recess for five minutes.

After recess the Synod, according to Standing Rule, engaged in the observance of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

The Rev. Egbert W. Smith, D. D., preached a sermon on the text "Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean, wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow." Psalm 51:7. The Rev. J. M. Wharey D. D., and the Rev. H. G. Hill D. D., presided at the Table, administered the Sacrament and made suitable remarks; and the following brethren waited upon the Communicants in the distribution of the elements: Messrs. J. B. Ross, M. R. Adams, J. M. Rogers, J. M. McIver, H. L. Smith, R. A. Dunn, J. H. Currie and J. E. Haithcock.

It was a matter of devout thankfulness to God that there was no occasion for a Memorial Service of deceased brethren this year, none having died.

The Synod then, according to Standing Rule 26, recessed from business until 8 o'clock p. m.

SECOND DAY.—EVENING SESSION.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Wednesday, Nov. 4, 1903.

The Synod met at 8 o'clock p. m. and resumed business, after a delightful trip to "Wrightsville Beach."

The Standing Committee on Special Orders, Rev. Dr. H. G. Hill, Chairman, made the following report which was adopted:

We recommend for Thursday the following order: That the Rev. Dr. E. W. Smith be heard in the interest of the Chapel Hill Church from 10 o'clock a. m. to 10:30. That the Report of the Regents of the Orphans' Home be heard at 11 o'clock. That the Rev. Dr. S. L. Morris, the Assembly's Secretary of Home Missions, be heard at 12 o'clock. That the Rev. Dr. J. H. Lumpkin, the Assembly's Secretary of Ministerial Education, be heard at 3 o'clock p. m. and that the Sabbath Conference be held at 3:30 o'clock p. m.

The Rev. G. B. Strickler D. D., of the Synod of Va., and the Rev. J. G. Snedecor of the Synod of Ala., were

invited to sit as corresponding members and introduced to Synod.

According to Standing Order a popular meeting, in the interest of Synodical Home Missions, was held, in connection with the report of the Synod's Home Mission Committee.

The Rev. R. F. Campbell, D. D., presided and conducted the devotional exercises. The Rev. E. E. Gillespie, Superintendent and Chairman, submitted the annual report of the Committee, and pending action on the report, addresses were made by Rev. W. D. Morton, D. D., Rev. Edgar Tufts and Rev. R. F. Campbell, D. D.

The report was received and the recommendations were taken up *seriatim* and adopted. The report as a whole was then adopted (see Appendix). The recommendations are as follows:

1. The Synod recognizing with profound gratitude God's signal blessing attending the work of Synodical Home Missions during the year that has just closed, re-affirms its purpose to prosecute with greater zeal the work already inaugurated and to occupy and develop new fields of labor as rapidly as the liberality of God's people will permit.

2. That all the sessions, pastors, and evangelists of the Synod heartily support the Superintendent by giving him appointments with their congregations and by earnestly co-operating with him in his efforts to secure liberal contributions from their people; each session to determine the method of co-operation.

3. That all the churches of the Synod devote the collections during the month of June to the cause of Synodical Home Missions.

4. That the Sunday Schools devote one collection to the cause of Synodical Home Missions and said collection to be taken the second Sunday of June, in connection with appropriate exercises bearing on Home Mission work.

5. That our present work may be sustained and enlarged, and new fields occupied, Synod undertakes to raise the sum of \$12,500 for the cause of Synodical Home Missions and apportions this amount among the Presbyteries as follows:

Asheville	\$ 300
Albemarle	700
Concord	2000
Fayetteville	2500
King's Mountain	500
Mecklenburg	2500
Orange	2500
Wilmington	1500
Total	<u>\$12500</u>

6. That the several Presbyteries be requested to apportion among their churches the full amount apportioned to them by Synod and furnish the Superintendent with a list of said apportionments.

7. That Synod does hereby express its sincere and hearty appreciation of the valuable services rendered our evangelists by the faithful men and women who have labored without compensation in the various departments of the mission work during the summer.

8. That the Synod appoint a committee of five with Rev William Black as Chairman, whose duty it shall be at its discretion to arrange for and hold at such time and place during the coming year as to it shall seem best, a "Presbyterian Evangelistic and Biblical Institute," a conference for evangelists, teachers, pastors and all others interested in evangelistic and mission work.

On behalf of the Committee,
E. E. GILLESPIE, Superintendent.

On motion the Rev. William Black was elected Chairman of the committee to arrange for holding a Presbyterian Evangelistic and Biblical Institute, as provided for in the above report.

On motion the Rev. William Black was re-elected General Evangelist of the Synod of North Carolina, by a rising vote.

On motion the Rev. E. E. Gillespie was re-elected Superintendent of Synodical Home Missions, by a rising vote.

On motion the Ruling Elders now serving on the Synod's Home Mission Committee were re-elected for the ensuing year.

The Synod then adjourned with prayer by the Rev. G. B. Strickler until to-morrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

THIRD DAY.—MORNING SESSION.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Thursday, Nov. 5, 1903.

Synod met according to adjournment and was opened with devotional exercises conducted by the Rev. E. R. Leyburn.

The minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

Additional members appeared and were enrolled.

The Rev. J. B. Shearer, D. D., Chairman of the Permanent Committee on Church and Christian Education presented the report of the committee, which was received and placed upon the docket.

The Judicial Committee, Rev. W. D. Morton, D. D., Chairman, reported that no business had come into their hands, and asked to be discharged. The report was received and the committee discharged.

The special committee to bring in a response to the address of Rev. Dr. A. J. McKelway, presented the following paper which was adopted:

Your committee appointed to report the sentiment of the Synod with regard to the Presbyterian Standard would express our lively appreciation of the address of Rev. Dr. McKelway in the interest of the Synod's Church paper.

I. We would then also take occasion to certify our high estimation of the ability and fitness for his position as editor of our Synodical church organ (the Presbyterian Standard) which Dr. McKelway possesses. As a great, vigorous and attractive religious paper, and beyond this as an honest exponent of Evangelical truth and a fearless champion of the distinctive doctrines of the Presbyterian Church, we continue to regard the Standard as invaluable to our Synod and deserving the favor and confidence of our people.

II. That we should deem it our duty to seek earnestly to anticipate or avert any embarrassments pecuniary or otherwise which might encumber the commendable efforts of the editor in the prosecution of his great work.

III. That we urge our ministers, elders and people not only to support the paper by their personal subscriptions, but to use their best efforts to increase the subscription list of the paper by at least one thousand names before Jan. 1st, which may be more readily effected, through a specially liberal offer which is now made by the Editor.

W. D. MORTON, Chairman.

The Standing Committee on the Records of Synod, Rev. J. M. Wharey, D. D., Chairman, made the following report which was adopted:

Your committee on the Records of Synod beg leave to report that the records of Synod seem to be very neatly and correctly kept, that they have passed unscathed the revision of the General Assembly, and we therefore recommend that they be approved.

The hour having arrived, according to the order of the day, to hear the Rev. Dr. E. W. Smith in reference to the Chapel Hill Church and the importance of securing a Minister to reside at the University, the Synod heard Dr. Smith in relation to the matter, and after the address a subscription was taken amounting to \$1105.00 for the salary of a pastor, and to meet the demands of the case for one year; and on motion, the Synodical Committee on Home Missions was entrusted with the duty of collecting and disbursing this subscription for the Chapel Hill Church, and subsequently the following resolution offered by Dr. Smith was adopted:

Resolved that the Synodical Home Mission Committee be directed to assist the Chapel Hill Church, in ways agreeable to its Session, in selecting a suitable pastor; and further that said committee be instructed to secure an annual renewal, if possible, of the pledges made at this Synod, with such new subscriptions as may be necessary, to sustain a suitable pastor of our University Church.

The Rev. G. B. Webster of the M. E. Church, and the Rev. Messrs. James Carmichael and R. W. Hogue of the P. E. Church, were invited to sit as visiting brethren and introduced to Synod.

The Standing Committee on Union Theological Seminary, Rev. A. J. McKelway, D. D., Chairman,

submitted their report, and pending action on the report, the Synod was addressed by the Rev. Dr. G. B. Strickler in the interest of the Seminary.

The report was then received and placed upon the docket (see report of the Board of Directors and Trustees in Appendix). Synod recessed from business for five minutes.

The Rev. Joseph Evans, acting Chairman of the Permanent Committee on Publication and Colportage, presented the following report which was received and adopted:

Your committee to whom was assigned (in the absence of the chairman of this committee) the preparation of a report in connection with these causes begs leave to say:

That so far as we are able to learn the Colportage work in our Synod is in a fairly prosperous condition. Besides what is being done by the General Assembly's Colporteurs, several of the Presbyteries have had Presbyterial Colporteurs laboring within their bounds. And we recommend to all our Presbyteries the employment of such as an effective means of advancing the Master's cause.

Since the death of that faithful servant of God and of His church, Dr. Hazen, it may not be amiss to say that our Publication interests are being managed by Mr. R. E. Magill, elected at the last General Assembly, who is very faithfully and diligently doing this work.

In accordance with the action of the last General Assembly, we recommend to all Presbyteries that have not already done so, the consolidation into one committee of the Sabbath School, Young Peoples' Societies, and Publication and Colportage Committees, this committee to discharge in Presbyteries and the Synod the functions of those it has superceded.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH EVANS,
Chairman *pro tem.*

The Special Committee appointed to respond to the address of President H. L. Smith, presented the following paper which was adopted:

Synod would record that it has heard with much pleasure and interest the forcible address of Dr. Smith; and

I. That it recognizes the power of the college and rejoices in its

unprecedented prosperity and popularity and especially in that so many of our young men there, are being led to seek the gospel ministry.

2. That Synod realizing the pressing demand for larger facilities to meet her ever increasing numbers, would commend the cause to the liberality of all our people.

3. That Synod most heartily endorses the Davidson League and hereby commends it to all friends of the college and suggests that, during the present meeting of Synod, an opportunity be granted any present to join the League.

Respectfully submitted,

C. N. WHARTON, Chairman of Committee.

The Standing Order to hear the report of the Regents of the Orphans' Home and to hold special services in the interest of the Home, was observed. The Rev. Dr. J. Rumple, President of the Board of Regents, presided, conducted the devotional exercises and read the report of the Board. A discourse based upon the words: "A father of the fatherless, and a Judge of the widows, is God in his holy habitation"—Ps. 65:5, was then delivered by the Rev. Dr. H. G. Hill. After the address the report was received and referred to a Special Committee consisting of Revs. A. McFadyen, P. H. Gwinn, W. R. Coppedge and Elders Shepperd Strudwick and H. G. Tyson (see the report in Appendix).

The Synod then took recess until 3 o'clock p. m.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Thursday, Nov. 5, 1903.

Synod re-assembled at 3 o'clock p. m. and resumed business.

The Standing Committee on Systematic Beneficence, Rev. R. S. Arrowood, Chairman, submitted the following report which was received and approved:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

	Albemarle	Asheville	Concord	Fayetteville	King's Min.	Mecklenburg	Orange	Wilmington	TOTALS
Presbyterial Home Missions	\$ 909.79	\$ 1,855.64	\$ 4,315.25	\$ 902	\$ 412	\$ 2,492.75	\$ 1,942	\$ 1,664.72	\$ 14,553.75
Synodical Home Missions	745.30	. . . . .	900.66	2,449	95	817.21	2,031	1,113.89	8,251.10
Assembly's Home Missions	184.27	74.64	219.00	320	196	568.30	509	190.38	2,261.59
Foreign Missions	1,317.82	1,000.54	3,487.00	3,357	875	3,519.08	5,729	1,524.89	21,810.33
Publication and Colportage	146.19	77.87	105.00	210	79	134.95	201	97.22	1,051.23
Education for Ministry	416.19	297.59	503.02	339	68	967.71	637	409.84	3,540.33
Church and Christian Education	64.00	. . . . .	3,754.88	990	165	109.58	771	2,536.99	8,391.45
Ministerial Relief	159.75	64.95	150.00	216	110	188.69	323	158.41	1,370.80
Colored Evangelization	135.38	61.82	124.00	158	60	121.01	230	91.29	981.42
Bible Cause	69.01	22.00	67.00	92	37	38.49	109	59.70	472.19
Synodical Orphans' Home	870.92	. . . . .	2,038.26	1,533	314	354.63	2,494	626.17	8,230.98
Miscellaneous	1,120.00	775.00	2,137.00	1,634	. . . . .	2,320.00	3,646	2,134.80	13,766.80
Totals	\$ 6,138.62	\$ 4,230.05	\$ 17,801.07	\$ 12,200	\$ 2,411	\$ 11,632.40	\$ 18,622	\$ 10,608.29	\$ 84,681.97
Increase . . . . .	. . . . .	\$ 803.05	. . . . .	\$ 2,540	. . . . .	. . . . .	\$ 4,732	964.30	
Decrease	\$ 204.57	. . . . .	\$ 5,099.01	. . . . .	. . . . .	\$ 10,553.63	. . . . .	. . . . .
No. churches contributing	27	21	61	80	32	30	51	33	
No. contributing to all objects	13	6	11	14	11	10	12	15	
No. contributing to one or more	23	15	41	66	31	20	39	18	
Churches made no report	9	3	4	5	1	15	10	11	

Net decrease \$4,402.04

The order of the day having arrived, the Synod heard the Rev. J. H. Lumpkin, D. D., Assembly's Secretary of Education for the Ministry, in the interest of that cause. At the close of the address the Moderator appointed a Special Committee consisting of Revs. H. S. Bradshaw, E. P. Bradley and R. C. Morrison to prepare and bring in a suitable response to Dr. Lumpkin's address.

It was ordered that the Rev. W. M. Morrison, D. D., Missionary to Africa, who being present, be now heard, and that the Sabbath Conference be taken up after his address, and continued if necessary as unfinished business at the evening session. Dr. Morrison then addressed the Synod in regard to the great mission work in Africa. The Synod gave him profound attention, and at the close of the address, the Synod was led in prayer by Rev. R. F. Campbell, D. D., with special reference to Dr. Morrison and his work.

The matter of the address was referred to the Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions to bring in a suitable response.

The order for a Conference on the Sabbath was then taken up. The Rev. W. D. Morton, D. D., Chairman of the Permanent Committee on the Sabbath, presented the report of the committee, and pending action on the report the Synod was addressed by the Rev. John M. Rose, D. D., on "The origin and necessity of the Sabbath law."

The Moderator announced that he had been called home by telegram, on account of serious sickness in his family, whereupon he was excused from further attendance upon this Synod, and the Rev. John M. Rose, D. D., was elected in his stead to act as moderator.

The Synod expressed its sympathy for Dr. Graham and his family by being led in prayer by Rev. C. A. Munroe.

The Synod then took recess until 8 o'clock p. m.

THIRD DAY—EVENING SESSION.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Thursday, Nov. 5, 1903.

The Synod convened at 8 o'clock p. m.

The Sabbath Conference was taken up as unfinished business. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. W. D. Morton, D. D., after which an address was delivered by the Rev. G. B. Strickler, D. D., of Union Theological Seminary, on the subject "Are the works of necessity and mercy indicated in the answer of our Catechism, largely modified by our present civilization?"

Dr. Strickler was followed by the Rev. E. C. Murray, D. D., in an address on "The best means of arresting the patronage by Christians of Sabbath travel and Sabbath mails."

And Dr. Murray was followed by the Rev. J. M. Wharey, D. D., who spoke on "How to observe the Sabbath properly in a Christian family."

The report of the Committee was then received and adopted (see Appendix).

The report of the Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions was presented by the Chairman, the Rev. R. E. Caldwell, D. D., and pending the adoption of the report, the Rev. S. H. Chester, D. D., the Assembly's Secretary of Foreign Missions, addressed the Synod in the interest of that great cause.

The report was then received and adopted (see Appendix).

The following report of the Committee in response to the address of Dr. Morrison was received and adopted.

Resolved, That the Synod of North Carolina has heard with peculiar pleasure the address of Rev. W. M. Morrison, D. D., of our African Mission, and under the influence of the spell woven upon our hearts by the manifest presence and blessing of the Holy Spirit deeply touching us.

we invoke upon him and his work the richest favor of the Master to whose service he has consecrated his life.

Resolved further, That this Synod, in view of its manifest right of petition, hereby memorializes the Government of the United States, to take action looking to the protection of our work and the preservation of our treaty rights in the Congo Free State.

The Rev. S. L. Morris, D. D., the Assembly's Secretary of Home Missions, was heard in the interest of that cause, and the Moderator appointed the Rev. Dr. J. R. Howerton to prepare and bring in a suitable response to the address of Dr. Morris.

It was ordered that Synod meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock instead of 9:30.

The Standing Committee on Special Orders made a final report, recommending that Synod hear the Rev. J. G. Snedecor to-morrow morning at 9:30 o'clock, the Rev. Dr. Shearer at 10 o'clock, the 20th Century Fund report at 11 o'clock, preaching service at 11:45 o'clock, and the Rev. Dr. Phillips at 3 o'clock p. m. The report was adopted.

The place and time for the next stated meeting of Synod were taken up, and the First Presbyterian church, Durham, N. C., was chosen as the place, and the time was fixed for Oct. 25th, 1904, at 8 o'clock p. m.

It was ordered that the Synod hereafter have a Permanent Committee on the Assembly's Home Missions, and the Rev. Dr. E. W. Smith, Rev. Dr. R. F. Campbell and Elder J. E. Haithcock were appointed to nominate the committee and report at this meeting.

The Synod then adjourned with prayer by the Rev. E. W. Souders until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FOURTH DAY—MORNING SESSION.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Nov. 6, 1903.

The Synod convened at 9 o'clock a. m. and was opened with devotional exercises.

The minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

The order of the day to hear the Rev. J. G. Snedecor this morning was changed and deferred until this evening, that he might be heard in connection with the report of the Permanent Committee on Colored Evangelization.

The Standing Committee on Bills and Overtures, the Rev. C. G. Vardell, Chairman, reported "No business in hand," and asked to be discharged. The report was received and the committee discharged.

The Standing Committee to prepare an address to the churches, Rev. J. M. Rose, D. D., Chairman, presented the following paper which was adopted and ordered to be read from our pulpits:

The Synod of North Carolina to the churches under its care:

"Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord." It is, brethren, with profound gratitude to God that the Synod takes note of many evidences of growth and prosperity during the past year.

The Lord has greatly blessed our work—in every sphere of service for Him we see tokens of His grace and many proofs of His presence and power. The gospel in its simplicity and purity has been preached regularly in nearly all our churches. The efficacious grace of His spirit has attended His Word. Many hundreds have been converted to Christ, our churches have been strengthened and edified and we see evidences of progress in almost every direction in which our eyes are turned. It has been a year of great encouragement in the development of interest both in our Home and Foreign work. For these signal tokens of the divine favor we render devout thanks to God.

There are, however, two things, emphasized in greater or less degree in all the reports which have reached us, which fill our hearts with sadness—the one is the manifest decadence of family worship, and the other is the neglect of the home-training of our children and youth.

This sad story has now been repeated year after year until the Synod views with alarm this recedence on the part of our people from the historic attitude of our fathers toward the maintenance of family religion. It is to be feared that as a church we have already ceased to be conspicuous for the profession and practice of the faith which has been the distinguishing characteristic of Presbyterianism in all the ages.

The Synod prays for a revival of a deep sense of parental responsibility among our people, and for this end earnestly invokes the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon all our churches.

JOHN M. ROSE, Chairman.

The Standing Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly, Rev. A. McFadyen, Chairman, made the following report which was adopted:

Your Committee on Minutes of General Assembly beg leave to report that they have examined the same and find nothing which seems to claim the attention of the Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

A. MCFADYEN, Chairman.

The Standing Committee on the Report of the Trustees of Synod, Rev. E. R. Leyburn, Chairman, made the following report which was adopted:

Your Committee on the Report of the Trustees of Synod has had the report of the Trustees placed in its hands, stating that no funds have come into their hands during the year, and that they have no further report to make. Your committee will nominate the following gentlemen whose term expires at this time, to serve for another three years, as trustees of the Synod.

Dr. J. R. Irwin, Chairman.

Mr. J. C. Burroughs.

Hon. A. C. Avery.

D. F. Cannon.

F. A. Sherrill.

P. S. Gilchrist in place of Col. J. B. Rankin, deceased, and R. A. Dunn in place of R. M. Oates, deceased.

E. R. LEYBURN, Chairman.

The Standing Committee on the Report and Books of the Treasurer of Synod, Elder R. A. Dunn, Chairman, made the following report which was adopted:

Your Committee would report that the Treasurer's Book has been examined and found properly kept, and with vouchers to sustain disbursements as charged. We recommend that balances due from

Presbyteries in arrears (Mecklenburg \$75 and Albemarle \$20) be collected promptly. We recommend that the recommendation in connection with the Treasurer's report be adopted.

R. A. DUNN, Chairman,	}	Committee.
J. E. HAITHCOCK,		
J. M. McIVER,		
S. K. FOUNTAIN.		

The Standing Committee to examine the Records of Orange Presbytery, Rev. W. C. Brown, Chairman, made the following report which was adopted:

Your Committee to examine the Minutes of Orange Presbytery report that we have examined the said minutes and find that they have been neatly and correctly kept. We recommend that they be approved.

The Standing Committee on the Records of Fayetteville Presbytery, Rev. V. H. Starbuck, Chairman, made a report which was received and placed upon the docket.

The Standing Committee on the Records of Wilmington Presbytery, Rev. W. H. Wilson, Chairman, made the following report which was adopted:

Your Committee on Records of Wilmington Presbytery recommend that they be approved.

The Standing Committee on the Records of Mecklenburg Presbytery, Rev. L. A. McLaurin, Chairman, made the following report which was adopted:

Your Committee would recommend that the minutes of Mecklenburg Presbytery be approved without exception.

The Standing Committee on the Records of Albemarle Presbytery, Rev. R. J. Hunter, Chairman, made the following report which was adopted:

The Committee to examine Records of Albemarle Presbytery have performed that duty and recommend approval without exception.

The Standing Committee on the Records of Asheville Presbytery, Rev. G. H. Atkinson, Chairman, made the following report which was adopted:

Your Committee has carefully read the minutes of Asheville Presbytery and we find them carefully and neatly kept. We recommend that they be approved.

The Standing Committee on the Records of King's Mountain Presbytery, Rev. J. H. Henderlite, Chairman, made the following report which was adopted:

Your Committee to examine the Records of King's Mountain Presbytery would recommend that these records be approved.

The Standing Committee on the Records of Concord Presbytery, Rev. G. W. Lawson, Chairman, made the following report which was adopted:

Your Committee on the Records of Concord Presbytery report that printed minutes attested by Stated Clerk of said Presbytery were handed in, and the committee recommend their approval.

The Special Committee into whose hands was placed the report of the Board of Regents of the Orphans' Home, made the following report which was adopted:

The Committee appointed to respond to the report of the Regents of the Orphans' Home respectfully submits the following: The Synod has heard with pleasure the encouraging report of the Regents of the Orphans' Home and also the able address of Dr. H. G. Hill as to the scriptural requirements in behalf of the fatherless. The Synod rejoices in the prosperity of the Home and heartily commends it to the liberal support and prayers of our people under its present efficient management. We would gratefully recognize the valuable services to the Home by Rev. W. R. McClelland given without compensation by which several hundreds of dollars have been saved to the institution.

We make the following recommendations:

1. That all our Sabbath schools be urged to contribute to the Orphanage once a month.
2. That all our churches be urged to make to the Home gifts of money, provisions or clothing at thanksgiving season.
3. That our Superintendent be directed to endeavor to raise by appeals to individuals and churches the \$2,000 needed to complete the Industrial building.
4. That Rev. George H. Atkinson be elected a Regent of the Home to fill the unexpired term of Dr. Stagg, who has left our Synod, and that Dr. Rumble and Rev. D. I. Craig be re-elected to succeed themselves.

A. MCFADYEN, P. H. GWINN, W. R. COPPEDGE, S. STRUDWICK, H. G. TYSON.	}	Committee.
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The report of the Permanent Committee on Church and Christian Education, Rev. J. B. Shearer, D. D., Chairman, was taken from the docket, considered and adopted (see Appendix). The following are the recommendations of the report, and a statement of the collections for the cause:

1. In view of the rapidly growing importance of this cause, we recommend Synod to double the past apportionments to the Presbyteries and to authorize this committee to suggest to the churches through the proper Presbyterial Committees the details of such apportionments.

2. We would recommend that the Committee of Church and Christian Education consist hereafter of the Agent and Chairman, and the Chairmen of the Permanent Committees in each Presbytery.

STATEMENT OF COLLECTIONS.

Statement of collections for Church and Christian Education and the disbursements for the year ending Nov. 3rd, 1903.

Asheville Presbytery, collections reported	\$1,255.00	
Albemarle Presbytery, cash	\$ 3.00	
Amount reported	45.60	48.60
Concord Presbytery, cash	107.39	
Amount reported	168.84	276.23
Fayetteville Presbytery, cash	55.85	
Amount reported	55.00	110.85
King's Mountain Presbytery, reported		30.00
Mecklenburg Presbytery, amount reported		563.15
Orange Presbytery, amount reported		199.87
Wilmington Presbytery, cash	\$15.31	
Amount not reported		15.31
Total		<u>\$2,499.01</u>

APPROPRIATED AND EXPENDED AS FOLLOWS:

By Albemarle Presbytery	\$ 48.60	
By Asheville Presbytery	1,255.00	
By Concord Presbytery	168.84	
By Fayetteville Presbytery	55.00	
By King's Mountain Presbytery	30.00	
By Mecklenburg Presbytery	563.15	
By Orange Presbytery	199.87	
By Wilmington Presbytery, no report		
To Davidson College	178.55	
Total	<u>\$2,499.01</u>	<u>\$2,499.01</u>

The report of the Permanent Committee on Ministerial Relief, Rev. E. W. Smith, D. D., Chairman, was presented and pending action on the report, the Synod heard the Rev. I. S. McElroy, D. D., the Assembly's Secretary of Ministerial Relief, in the interest of that cause. The report as a whole was then received and adopted. The recommendations are as follows: In view of these painful facts (see report in Appendix), your Committee recommends:

First, that Synod urge upon every session within its bounds to appoint at once a Permanent Sessional Committee on Ministerial Relief, which shall have this business under its special care, and shall take active measures to secure the sympathy and support of their entire church membership in behalf of this sacred cause.

We recommend, secondly, that all our ministers be urged to present this cause from their pulpits, and, if the way be clear, to put into practice the Assembly's plan for raising among their congregations a subscription to the Endowment Fund.

We recommend, thirdly, that at the next meeting of Synod the Committees on Special Orders shall appoint four o'clock of Thursday afternoon for a popular meeting in the interest of this cause to be held under the direction of your Committee on Ministerial Relief.

We recommend, fourthly, that the Presbyterial Committees on Ministerial Relief be urged to hold popular meetings in behalf of this cause at the Spring sessions of their Presbyteries.

The Synod's Committee on the Twentieth Century Fund submitted their report which was received and pending the adoption of the report, addresses were made in the interest of the cause by Dr. Henry Louis Smith and the Rev. C. G. Vardell. The report as a whole was then adopted, and is as follows:

Your present Executive Committee on the Twentieth Century Fund was appointed at the last Synod to have charge of this work, and was empowered to elect one of its number Treasurer of this Fund for the whole Synod. The last Synod also appointed the Rev. C. G. Vardell, D. D., to superintend or conduct the canvass in the Presbyteries of Orange, Fayetteville, Wilmington and Albemarle; and Drs. H. L. Smith and A. T. Graham to superintend or conduct the canvass in Mecklenburg, King's Mountain, Concord, and Asheville Presbyteries.

These brethren were empowered under the direction of the Executive Committee to employ such helpers as they might wish to secure. The Executive Committee was authorized to determine the compensation for the work thus assigned by Synod.

In accordance with the above instructions your Executive Committee met in Winston immediately after appointment, elected Rev. E. R. Leyburn, Secretary of the Committee, Rev. E. C. Murray, D. D., Treasurer of the Fund for the whole Synod. The salary of Rev. C. G. Vardell, D. D., as canvasser of the eastern Presbyteries was fixed by your Committee at \$1,800 and expenses, to be paid only in proportion to the time actually given to Synod's work, it being understood between Dr. Vardell and your committee that three-fourths of his time would be so employed. Drs. H. L. Smith and A. T. Graham made no charge for their services as superintendents, not personal canvassers, for the western Presbyteries.

After correspondence Drs. Smith and Graham recommended to your committee the Rev. D. P. McGeachy as canvasser for the western section. Under appointment of your committee, Mr. McGeachy began his successful work on the 20th of February, at a salary of \$1,200 and expenses. It was a matter of deep regret to your Committee that Dr. Vardell, after a few months of valuable service, was compelled by pressure of other duties to withdraw from the active canvass. As the ripest section of our Synod for canvassing during the summer months was in the east, your committee authorized Mr. McGeachy to extend his canvass over both sections wherever the best opportunities were offered him.

The financial history, and the last year's fruits of the work and the precise present *status* of the Fund are given so fully and clearly in our Treasurer's Report that we incorporate it as part of this Committee's Report.

REPORT OF REV. E. C. MURRAY, TREASURER.

1. *Summary of work done, 1901-2.*

	Salary and Expenses.	Churches Visited.	Subscriptions.
Dr. J. W. Stagg, 6 months	\$1,608.20	10	\$ 9,499.70
Drs. Smith and Graham, no salary	10.00	8	11,630.84
Totals	\$1,618.20	18	\$21,130.54

2. *Summary of work done 1902-3.*

	Salary and Expenses.	Churches Visited.	Subscriptions.
Rev. C. G. Vardell, 4 months	\$ 633.23	13	\$11,929.75
Rev. D. P. McGeachy, 8 months	919.02	27	14,748.00
Drs. Smith and Graham . . . . .	.	.	3,850.00
Totals	\$1,552.25	40	\$30,527.75

We have now therefore a subscription list amounting to \$51,658.29, of which there has been collected for institutions and the general fund \$13,619.19, of this amount \$7,856.87 was collected this year.

3.—*Rev. E. C. Murray, Treasurer, in account with the Fund.*

To collections for the general fund	\$ 1820.53
To collections for designed objects	525.50
By payment on notes	\$ 535.90
By salary and expenses of C. G. Vardell	582.97
By salary and expenses of D. P. McGeachy	794.02
By remittance to McKelway Institute	500.00
By office expenses	8.90
Total	\$2,421.79 \$2,346.03

Balance due Treasurer \$75.76.

4.—*Indebtedness, October 27, 1903.*

Southern Loan and Trust Co.	\$ 930.00
Commercial National Bank	125.00
Rev. D. P. McGeachy	125.00
Rev. C. G. Vardell	50.26
Rev. E. C. Murray, Treasurer	75.76
Institutions	25.50
Total	\$1,331.52

The above mentioned notes were negotiated by the Committee in order to pay off claims against the fund amounting to \$1,500 on account of the salary of Rev. J. W. Stagg. This debt has been a serious impediment to our year's work.

The fund nevertheless would now be entirely free from debt and with a considerable surplus in the treasury but for the neglect of church treasurers to collect subscriptions due. Although your treasurer has repeatedly written to them urging diligence in this matter, yet the majority of them have proved inattentive to his requests.

5.—*Amounts received directly by institutions.*

As a very large proportion of the funds collected on these subscriptions and from other sources do not pass through your treasurer's hands, he has sought to learn by correspondence with the treasurers of our various institutions, what amounts they have received directly from churches and individuals in our Synod since the beginning of this movement, which may properly be credited to this fund. Although our information is as yet very incomplete, no report having been received from our colleges for women at Charlotte and Red Springs and from some other institutions, yet the contributions reported amount to \$31,782.57.

The other members of your Committee desire, in this connection to make grateful mention of the extraordinary diligence and efficiency of our Treasurer who has given so liberally to this fund of his unpaid time and labor. From his report Synod will see that our salaried canvassers during the past year have secured subscriptions of about \$27,000 at a total cost of only \$1,652. This is probably the largest subscription for the least cost ever raised by salaried canvassers in our

Synod. It represents a success nearly three times greater than the salaried canvass made for this Fund the year previous.

From his report the Synod will also see that the delinquency of church treasurers in collecting the subscriptions made to this Fund is the most embarrassing circumstance with which your committee has had to contend.

The report also shows that of the \$52,000 of subscriptions secured through Synodical Agents in the last two years \$13,600 have been actually paid in cash, of which \$8,000 have been paid in during the last 12 months.

1. We recommend that the present method of conducting this work, through an Executive Committee and territorial superintendents, all appointed at each Synod, be continued.

2. We recommend that the Executive Committee on this Fund be encouraged and empowered to keep an agent in the field, or more than one as the Committee shall deem best, for the collection of subscriptions already made, and for the enlargement of this vitally important Fund.

3. We recommend that the present prevalent understanding that representatives of our church institutions are not to raise funds in the Synod for their own needs while Synod's canvass for the general fund is in progress, be hereby annulled, and that our church schools be given the same privilege in this regard which they enjoyed before the present canvass was begun, and that they be directed to report promptly all such educational contributions secured by them to Synod's Treasurer of this Fund.

4. We recommend that the sessions of all churches in which subscriptions to this Fund have been or shall be made be hereby urged to exercise their proper authority in seeing to it that the collection of these subscriptions is diligently attended to by the church officers to whom this duty has been assigned.

5. We recommend finally, that our canvassers be instructed to take no subscriptions of more than three years duration and to collect at every visit to a church as much as possible in cash and negotiable paper.

EGBERT W. SMITH, Chairman.

The Synod took recess for five minutes.

After recess the Synod engaged in devotional exercises and heard a sermon from Rev. M. D. Hardin on the text: "For without me ye can do nothing." John 15:5.

On motion the Rev. E. E. Gillespie was substituted for the Rev. J. R. Howerton, D. D., to prepare a suitable

response to the address of Dr. S. L. Morris, Assembly's Secretary of Home Missions.

The Moderator appointed the following Special Committee to nominate an Executive Committee on the Twentieth Century Fund: Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D., Rev. L. M. Kerschner and Rev. J. S. Black.

The Synod then took recess until 3 o'clock p. m.

FOURTH DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Friday, Nov. 6, 1903.

The Synod met at 3 o'clock p. m. and resumed business.

The report of the Standing Committee on the Records of Fayetteville Presbytery was taken from the docket, amended and adopted. The report is as follows:

Your Committee recommend that the Records of Fayetteville Presbytery be approved.

In view of the unfavorable state of the weather, and at the suggestion of the pastor, Dr. Wells, the Synod receded from its action in accepting an invitation to take a trip this afternoon in the steamer Wilmington along the river front. This action was taken with the cordial thanks of the Synod for the courtesy extended.

The report of the Standing Committee on Union Theological Seminary was taken from the docket. The recommendations were considered *seriatim* and adopted. The report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

Your Committee learns with much gratification of the health and diligence of the students, of the faithfulness of the faculty, of the full restoration to health of the senior professor, Dr. W. W. Moore, and of the successful session of last year, the period covered by the report of the Board. We heartily endorse the standard of scholarship and attainments upon which the faculty insists as a pre-requisite to graduation and note with pleasure that thirteen graduates last year received the degree of B. D. We are glad to note, also, that in spite of this high standard of scholarship that has been set, Union Seminary has 58 Presbyterian

students already enrolled and that the increased size of the Junior class indicates that the rising tide in the number of candidates for the ministry has already made itself felt.

We approve the recommendation of the Board that triennial meetings of representatives of our Seminary faculties be arranged for, at the time and place of the meeting of the General Assembly.

The endowment, library and scholarship funds of the Seminary now amount to \$262,333; while the value of the Seminary building and grounds is put at \$187,140; a recent bequest to the Seminary of \$30,000; there are other unproductive properties, building lots and etc., amounting to \$18,800; and unpaid subscriptions \$2,762; total \$501,035. Against these assets there is still due on the Seminary buildings the sum of \$37,000; but the unproductive lots, the unpaid subscriptions and a contingent subscription of \$22,000, payable as other subscriptions become available make this debt one of inconsiderable size.

But the income from the endowment fund, as distinguished from the library and scholarship funds, is not sufficient for the needs of the Seminary. It is impossible to meet expenses and there is therefore the most urgent need of increasing the endowment. To this end the Board has authorized the appointment of a Financial Agent and requests that our Synod give him permission to canvass the churches of the Synod, with our commendation and co-operation. We recommend that such permission and co-operation be granted. The Synod is also memorialized to empower the Board of Trustees to create the office of President of the Seminary, provided the way should be found clear. We recommend that the Board of Trustees be so empowered.

We recommend that Rev. E. W. Smith, D. D., and Rev. P. R. Law, whose terms as directors expire at this meeting of Synod, be re-elected, and that Mr. C. M. Brown, a ruling elder of the Washington Church, be elected in the place of Mr. W. S. Primrose, whose term also expires and who has notified the Board that he cannot serve longer as a member of the Board.

For the Committee,

A. J. McKELWAY, Chairman.

The following Special Committee to arrange for and to hold a Presbyterian Evangelistic and Biblical Institute, as provided for in the report of the Synodical Home Mission Committee, was appointed: Rev. William Black, Chairman, Rev. E. E. Gillespie, Rev. W. D. Morton, D. D., Rev. J. M. Rose, D. D., Dr. J. W. McNeill and Capt. A. G. Brenizer.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Sabbath

Schools was presented, in the absence of the Chairman, by the Rev. P. H. Gwinn. The report was received and adopted, and is as follows:

Your Committee on Sabbath Schools would respectfully report that they have received reports from all the Presbyteries of the Synod, from which the following tabulated statement is made:

	No. Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.
Albemarle	23	185	1,191	1,376
Asheville	24	132	1,451	1,583
Concord	55	527	4,708	5,235
Fayetteville	84	552	4,411	4,963
King's Mountain	24	270	1,549	1,819
Mecklenburg	37	454	3,907	4,361
Orange	57	487	4,285	4,772
Wilmington	38	233	2,273	2,506
Totals	342	2,840	23,775	26,615

	Current Expenses.	Other Objects.	Total.	Add. Com.
Albemarle	\$ 861.10	\$ 358.87	\$ 1,219.97	37
Asheville	266.34	219.73	486.07	36
Concord	1,046.62	1,461.79	2,508.41	240
Fayetteville	2,002.00	870.00	2,872.00	152
King's Mountain				
Mecklenburg	817.32	892.15	1,709.47	297
Orange	1,483.00	1,333.00	2,816.00	131
Wilmington	859.24	382.09	1,241.33	
Totals	\$7,335.62	\$5,517.63	\$12,853.25	893

In view of the recent action of the General Assembly concerning the committees of Publication, Sabbath Schools and Young People's Societies, your committee would recommend that these three committees be consolidated into one committee to be known as the Permanent Committee of Publication and Sabbath School work.

Your committee would also call the attention of Synod to the resolutions embodied in the annual report on Sabbath Schools to the late General Assembly a copy of which is here appended to this report.

1. That parents be affectionately exhorted to train their children in the foundations of our faith at home, according to the time-honored custom of our people; and that they make free use of the Manual of the Graded Course of instruction for suggestions in this matter.

2. That Sabbath school officers and teachers be faithful in the

prudent use of every biblical means of bringing their pupils to Jesus for salvation.

3. That the church sessions be urged to provide an efficient means of training their Sabbath school teachers through normal classes, teachers meetings and institutes.

4. That the sessions see that their schools have properly organized home departments for promoting the home study of the Bible.

5. That every Presbytery be encouraged to hold at least one Sabbath school institute in its bounds during the year.

6. That all the Sabbath schools be most earnestly encouraged to observe Sabbath School Day on the first Sunday in October, and to make liberal gifts at that time for Sabbath School Missions, and the Sabbath School Department of the Executive Committee.

7. That during the next year a united and vigorous effort be made to plant a Sabbath school in every church and in every community in our bounds.

P. H. GWINN,
GEO. W. LAWSON,
R. MURPHY WILLIAMS, } Committee.

On motion the name of the Permanent Committee on "The Sabbath" was changed to that of "The Sabbath and Family Religion."

On motion the following Overture was adopted and ordered to be forwarded to the Assembly:

Resolved that this Synod overture the General Assembly to broaden the scope of the Committee on the Sabbath to include the subject of Family Religion and that this Committee be called the Committee on the Sabbath and Family Religion.

The Special Committee appointed to bring in a response to the address of Rev. J. H. Lumpkin, the Assembly's Secretary of Ministerial Education, presented the following paper which was adopted:

In response to the address of Dr. J. H. Lumpkin on Ministerial Education, the Synod would express its gratification at the encouraging outlook for the enlargement of the Ministry of our church, as indicated by the increasing number of caudidates for the Gospel Ministry.

We hereby record our appreciation of the able and earnest address of the Assembly's Secretary, Dr. J. H. Lumpkin, on this subject, and commend him for his untiring and unfailling efficiency in behalf of this cause, which is at the very foundation of all church and evangelistic effort.

Synod would urge all sessions and pastors to bring this cause more prominently and forcibly to the attention of their congregations, and urge them to pray the "Lord of the harvest to send forth more laborers into his harvest."

H. S. BRADSHAW, }
E. P. BRADLEY, } Committee.
R. C. MORRISON. }

The Special Committee appointed to nominate a Permanent Committee on "The Assembly's Home Missions" made the following report which was adopted:

Your Committee would nominate the following brethren: Rev. J. R. Howerton, D. D., Chairman, Rev. G. H. Cornelson, Jr., Rev. A. T. Graham, D. D., Dr. J. M. Belk of Monroe and William Anderson of Charlotte.

On motion the action of Synod fixing the time for the next stated meeting was reconsidered and the matter of fixing the time was referred to a Special Committee consisting of Rev. E. R. Leyburn, Dr. W. D. Morton and Elder J. H. Currie.

On motion the following resolution in reference to the Standing Committee on Special Orders was adopted.

That the Committee on Orders be changed from a Standing Committee to a Permanent Committee. That the Moderator and Stated Clerk be *ex-officio* members of this committee. And that it be their duty to arrange beforehand a full schedule of business, such schedule to be formed in such way as to conform to all standing orders of Synod, and after conference write our Secretaries, and to arrange the orders and steer the business of the Synod while in session.

The Moderator appointed on the above Committee, the Rev. E. R. Leyburn, Rev. R. G. Matheson and elder Geo. W. Watts.

The Special Committee appointed to bring in a response to the address of Rev. S. L. Morris, D. D., the Assembly's Secretary of Home Missions, submitted the following paper which was adopted:

Your Committee appointed to respond to the address of our Secretary of Assembly's Home Missions, the Rev. S. L. Morris, D. D., would report that we have heard with great pleasure and profit the interesting, instructive and inspiring address of Dr. Morris, and in view of the

small contribution hitherto made to this great and worthy cause, does heartily comply with the request of the Secretary that a committee be appointed to which this important cause shall be intrusted, and that our pastors and sessions be most earnestly enjoined to take active measures to secure from all our churches an offering during the months of January and September, commensurate with the great need of the cause and the ability of our Synod.

E. E. GILLESPIE, Chairman.

The report of the Committee on the Twentieth Century Church Builders' Fund was presented, read and approved. It is as follows:

Your Committee on the Twentieth Century Church Builders' Fund, would present the following report:

1901	Donation				\$ 10.00
	September 10 from call No. 1 (Murray)				81.00
1902	January 1 " " " 2 (Winecoff)				83.00
	May 1 " " " 3 (Allen)				83.00
	August 1 " " " 4 (Jarvis)				75.00
	December 27 " " " 5 (Smith)				77.00
1903	March 16 " " " 6 (Liles)				68.50
	July 15 " " " 7 (Price)				68.50
					\$546.00

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid	Murray	\$50.00	
"	Winecoff	50.00	
"	Allen	71.00	
"	Jarvis	70.00	
"	P. B. Smith	70.00	
"	E. P. Liles	60.00	
"	James V. Price	50.00	
"	postage, stationery, travelling expenses etc.	108.00	\$529.48
	Cash on hand		16.52
	" " " future calls		40.00
			\$56.52

We recommend that every Minister in the Synod explain carefully the working of this Fund, and appoint some earnest person in each of his congregations to get subscribers.

R. W. HINES, Chairman.

The Standing Committee on the Statistical Report of the Presbyteries, Rev. D. P. McGeachy, Chairman, submitted the following report which was adopted:

STATISTICAL TABLE.

	Ministers.	Churches.	Licentiates.	Candidates.	Communicants.	Funds Raised.	Added on Examination.	Added on Certificate.	Ministers Received.	Ministers Transferred.	Churches Organized.	Churches Dissolved.	Licentiates Transferred.	Candidates Received.	Candidates Transferred.	Ordinations.	Installations.	Dissolutions of Pastoral Relations.	Licensures.	Pastors.	Stated Supplies.	Evangelists.	Foreign Missionaries.	Churches in Charge of Ministers.	Vacant Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Church Societies.	Average Salaries.	Manse.	Value of Manses.	Counties Vacant.
Orange	25	61	0	9	5,809	\$ 54,009	272	259	2	4	2	1	0	4	1	0	8	2	0	17	2	2	1	4	1	57		\$700 14	\$ 25,000		
Concord	34	66	2	16	6,495	43,020	417	299	3	5	3	0	0	6	0	0	4	3	1	18	3	3	1	5	11	55		530 20	32,875		
Fayetteville	27	85	0	13	7,992	32,518	320	213	4	1	1	0	0	3	0	0	1	2	1	19	6	0	2	7	5	84	20	613	8	9,500	
Wilmington	17	51	0	4	3,631	31,603	165	114	1	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	7	4	4	2	5	1	38		778	5	12,800	
Mecklenburg	26	45	1	17	6,718	57,918	223	320	1	5	1	1	1	2	0	0	2	5	2	15	3	0	1	3	15	37		800 18	39,750		
Albemarle	16	37	1	2	2,298	23,828	134	79	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	11	0	5	1	28	9	23	11	760	11	22,000 13	
Asheville	11	23	0	3	1,508	27,342	88	79	1	3	0	0	0	2	0	1	2	2	1	6	3	2	1	13	10	23	8	700	6	8,000	
King's Mountain	15	32	0	6	2,288	15,850	130	113	3	2	1	0	0	3	0	0	5	2	0	19	9	2	0	3	2	24		525	8	7,850	
	171	400	4	70	36,739	\$ 286,088	1749	1476	18	20	13	3	3	21	1	1	25	17	5	112	30	18	9	32	65	342	39	\$675 90	\$ 157,775 13		

PRESBYTERIES.

The Regent of the South Atlantic University, Jno. F. Love, whose term of office expires at this meeting, was re-elected for another term to succeed himself.

It was ordered that the Stated Clerk have printed 1000 copies of the Minutes.

The Special Committee appointed to nominate an Executive Committee on the Twentieth Century Fund made the following report which was adopted:

Your committee to nominate the members of the Executive Committee on the Twentieth Century Fund recommend the re-election of the committee whose term expires at this session, viz:

Rev. E. W. Smith, D. D., Chairman, Greensboro.

Rev. E. C. Murray, D. D., Graham.

Rev. E. R. Leyburn, Durham.

E. P. Warton, Greensboro.

J. M. McIver, Gulf.

We further recommend that the Rev. C. G. Vardell, D. D., be appointed to superintend or conduct any canvass in the eastern portion of the Synod and that Dr. H. L. Smith and Rev. A. T. Graham, D. D., be appointed to superintend or to conduct any canvass in the western portion.

A. D. McCLURE, Chairman.

The following resolution in relation to Dr. Strickler's address was offered and adopted:

Resolved, that the Rev. G. B. Strickler, D. D., be requested to furnish the manuscript of the address delivered by him, before the Synod of N. C., November 5th, 1903, on "Are the works of necessity and mercy indicated in the answer of our Catechism, largely modified by our present civilization?" to the Executive Committee of Publication at Richmond, Va., and that this committee be requested to publish the same.

The Standing Committee on Leave of Absence, Rev. W. T. Walker Chairman, made the following report, which was received and approved:

1. EXCUSED FROM ATTENDANCE ON LAST MEETING—Revs. V. H. Starbuck, J. S. Black, G. W. Belk, J. A. Caligan, W. M. Shaw, S. L. Cathey, W. H. Wilson, S. W. Newell.

2. EXCUSED FROM ATTENDANCE UPON THIS MEETING—Revs. F. W. Farries, F. D. Hunt, H. D. LeQueux, W. A. Murray, W. F. Thom.

J. K. Roberts, C. F. Rankin, H. T. Graham, J. A. Caligan, F. G. Hartman, S. W. Newell.

3. EXCUSED FOR TARDINESS AT THIS MEETING—Revs. P. H. Gwinn, W. M. Shaw, R. F. Campbell, S. L. Cathey.

(A number of the brethren were excused for tardiness in a body by a vote of Synod, who failed to make railroad connection on the way—Clerk.)

4. EXCUSED AFTER WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION—Elder J. B. Brown.

5. EXCUSED AFTER WEDNESDAY NIGHT SESSION—Revs. M. D. McNeill, Jno. A. Scott.

6. EXCUSED AFTER THURSDAY MORNING SESSION—Revs. Colin Shaw, W. S. Wilson, Elders J. B. Ross, J. M. B. Hunt, W. I. Hall, A. A. Watson, G. B. Carr, W. W. Alexander.

7. EXCUSED AFTER THURSDAY NIGHT SESSION—Revs. A. J. McKelway, J. A. Gilmer, R. E. Caldwell, E. W. Souders, J. Rumble, R. W. Alexander; Elders H. E. Shoaf, J. C. Wharton, G. A. Graham, G. W. Watts, H. G. Tyson, D. J. Campbell, H. C. Linthicum, John McLean, J. E. Kelly.

8. EXCUSED AFTER FRIDAY MORNING SESSION—Revs. A. N. Ferguson, G. L. Cook, W. O. Sample, J. E. Wool, W. R. Coppedge, J. P. McMillan, J. M. McLain, C. N. Wharton, J. B. Shearer, M. McG. Shields, G. H. Atkinson, P. H. Gwinn, T. J. Allison, A. McFadyen, M. N. McIver, J. A. Dorritee, L. A. McLaurin, R. J. Hunter, E. P. Bradley, R. C. Morrison, G. W. Belk, W. M. Shaw; Elders W. A. Lane, F. J. Knox, G. M. Dickson, D. H. Cox, A. M. Smyre, J. E. Price, Jackson Johnston, J. R. Wilson, R. A. Dunn, E. F. McRae, W. S. Clark, R. C. Freeman, J. C. McDuffie.

9. EXCUSED AFTER FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION—Revs. Joseph Evans, Peter McIntyre, R. M. Williams, J. C. Kennedy; Elders J. M. Rogers, S. K. Fountain.

W. T. WALKER, Chairman.

According to the above report, and omitting the names of Missionaries and Infirm Ministers, as ordered by Synod, no excuse was rendered for non-attendance on the last meeting of Synod (1902) by the following ministers: Revs. B. B. Palmer, (col.), R. W. George, S. H. Williamson, J. M. Wharey, D. D., E. E. Pressly, J. A. Harris, J. M. Greenlee, W. S. Wilson, C. M. Richards, J. P. Hall, L. M. Kerschner, David Fairley, K. A. McLeod, M. N. McIver, M. D. McNeill, H. T. Graham, C. F. Rankin,

G. T. Pace, J. R. McAlpine, R. C. Morrison, T. F. Boozer, M. A. Henderson, A. H. Temple, J. J. Harrell, W. O. Sample, G. C. Huntington, D. McIver, A. W. White, J. H. Dixon, C. N. Wharton, F. W. Farries, James Thomas, J. H. Jarvis, E. A. Sample, R. S. Eskridge, T. W. DeVane and C. C. Brown.

See docket for the list of non attendants, without excuse rendered, upon this meeting of 1903. The attention of Presbyteries is called, through their Stated Clerks, to the action of the Synod of 1902, page 605.—
STATED CLERK.

The Moderator appointed a Special Committee consisting of Rev. J. M. Wharey, D. D., Rev. R. F. Campbell, D. D. and Rev. E. D. Brown to prepare a paper expressing the thanks of the Synod for their entertainment.

The Synod then took recess until 8 o'clock p. m.

FOURTH DAY—EVENING SESSION.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Friday, Nov. 6, 1903.

The Synod convened at 8 o'clock p. m., and engaged in devotional exercises conducted by the Rev. R. F. Campbell, D. D.

The order of the day being to hear the report of the Permanent Committee on Colored Evangelization, the Rev. R. F. Campbell, D. D., Chairman, presented the report of the committee which was received, and pending its adoption, the Synod heard the Rev. J. G. Snedecor in the interest of Stillman Institute and Colored Evangelistic work. The Rev. Mr. Snedecor was followed by the Rev. J. R. Howerton, D. D., in an address on Colored Evangelization. The report as a whole was then adopted (see Appendix). The following are the recommendations:

In view of the facts presented in this report (see Appendix) your committee would make the following recommendations:

1. The Synod urges pastors and sessions to seek openings for the organization of Sunday schools for the colored people, and to appeal to the members of their churches to consecrate themselves to Christ's service in the work of these schools.

2. The Synod calls upon its people to pray the Lord of the harvest to raise up and send forth laborers into this harvest, and urges pastors and sessions, in accordance with the recommendation of the General Assembly, to seek for young colored men of intelligence and character, before whom they may lay the claim of the Gospel Ministry, and to whom they may present the advantages offered to candidates for the ministry by the Stillman Institute at Tuscaloosa, Ala.

3. That the pastors be urged to seek opportunities to preach as often as possible to the colored people.

On motion it was ordered that the Rev. R. F. Campbell, D. D., the Rev. W. D. Morton, D. D., and Elders Maj. Robert Bingham and R. A. Dunn be a committee to have the address of the Rev. J. R. Howerton, D. D., on Colored Evangelization published for general distribution.

The following resolution of thanks, offered by Rev. J. M. Wharey, Chairman, was adopted by a rising vote:

The Synod desires to give expression to the grateful feelings engendered by the delightful session now drawing to a close. We highly appreciate the courtesies extended by the Railroads and Newspapers, secular as well as religious. We shall ever remember the gracious hospitality with which we have been received into the homes of the good people of Wilmington. And we gratefully render thanks to the pastors and congregations of the First Presbyterian Church and of St. Andrews Church for their thoughtful and kindly attention to our comfort, by which they have rendered this meeting of our body memorably delightful and profitable. That the pastors be requested to read this to their congregations. May the blessing of Almighty God rest upon one and all.

The Rev. D. I. Craig and the Rev. C. G. Vardell, D. D., presented the cause of furnishing the rooms of the new Howard Memorial building at the Orphans' Home. The cost of furnishing a single room was estimated at \$25, and subscriptions sufficient to furnish about fifteen rooms were pledged.

The Special Committee appointed to fix a time for the next stated meeting of Synod, reported, recommending Monday, November the 14th, 1904, at 8 o'clock p. m. The report was adopted.

The Stated Clerk presented the Annual Statistical report of the Synod to the General Assembly, which was received and approved and ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly. It is as follows:

The Synod of North Carolina respectfully reports to the General Assembly in the United States, that it consists of Eight Presbyteries, and that these consist in whole, of 174 ministers and 398 churches, and have under their care 3 licentiates, 57 candidates, and 36,762 communicants.

PRESBYTERIES.	Ministers.	Churches.	Licentiates.	Candidates.	Communi- cants.
Orange	25	60	0	9	5,831
Concord	34	66	2	16	6,495
Fayetteville	28	85	0	13	7,993
Wilmington	17	51	0	4	3,631
Mecklenburg	28	45	1	17	6,718
Albemarle	16	36	0	2	2,298
Asheville	11	23	0	3	1,508
King's Mountain	15	32	0	6	2,288
Totals	174	398	3	70	36,762

The Synod further reports that the next Stated Meeting will be held in the First Presbyterian Church, Durham, N. C., on Monday the 14th day of November, 1904, at 8 o'clock p. m.

D. I. CRAIG,

Wilmington, N. C., November 3rd 1903.

Stated Clerk.

The Stated Clerk was instructed to secure, if possible, the report of the Permanent Committee on Ministerial Education for publication in the Appendix of the Minutes, with an explanatory note.

The motion was made to adjourn, and pending adjournment, the roll was called, and the following members of

Synod were noted as "Absent without leave," as their names do not appear in the list of those excused and reported by the Committee on Leave of Absence:

From Concord Presbytery—Rev. J. P. Hall, Rev. A. J. Crane and Ruling Elders E. L. Eisenhour and M. R. Adams.

From Fayetteville Presbytery—Rev. G. T. Pace, and Ruling Elders Joe A. McBryde, P. McRae and G. A. Griffith.

From Wilmington Presbytery—Rev. J. E. L. Winecoff, Rev. L. E. Wells, Rev. C. W. Trawick, Rev. J. C. Story, and Ruling Elders G. F. Lucas, J. S. Shaver, A. C. Johnston, W. K. Pigford, W. J. Boney, J. R. Bannerman, Oscar Pearsall, J. C. McMillan and S. O. Middleton.

From Mecklenburg Presbytery—Rev. J. R. McAlpine, Rev. D. McIver, and Rev. M. D. Hardin.

From Albemarle Presbytery—Rev. J. H. Henderlite, and Ruling Elder John Slaughter.

From King's Mountain Presbytery—Rev. R. Z. Johnston.

The minutes of to-day's sessions were read and approved.

The Synod then adjourned with singing, and with prayer by the Rev. R. W. Boyd, and with the Apostolic Benediction by the Moderator, to meet in the First Presbyterian Church, Durham, N. C., on Monday, the 14th day of November, 1904, at 8 o'clock p. m.

A. T. GRAHAM, Moderator.

J. M. ROSE, Acting Moderator.

W. R. McLELLAND, }
E. D. BROWN, } Temporary Clerks.

ATTEST:

D. I. CRAIG,
Stated Clerk.

APPENDIX.

APPENDIX.

A.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF PRESBYTERIES.

I.—ORANGE PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Orange Reports:

1. 25 ministers; 61 churches; no licentiates; 9 candidates; 5809 communicants; and fifty-four thousand and nine dollars; (\$54,009.00), aggregate of all funds raised during the year ending March 31, 1903, being \$12,117.00 more than was raised the year before.

2. 531 members were added to the churches during the year; (a) on examination, 272; (b) on certificate, 259.

3. Two ministers were received, viz.: Rev. R. W. Hines, Oct. 22, 1902; Rev. S. M. Rankin, Feb. 24, 1903.

4. Four ministers were transferred, viz.: Rev. C. Miller, Jan. 29, 1903; Rev. A. S. Caldwell, April 7, 1903; Rev. W. A. Murray, April 9, 1903; and Rev. E. M. Gilliard, Sept. 2, 1903; and one minister deposed, Rev. Allen Jones Jr. April 10, 1903.

5. Churches organized, viz.: Snow Memorial, Dec. 9, 1902; Durham, Second, Dec. 21, 1902.

6. Church dissolved, viz.: Rougemont, Sept. 2, 1903.

7. No licentiates received.

8. No licentiates transferred.

9. Four candidates received, viz.: Gentry King, (colored,) Oct. 22, 1902; S. W. Hodge, Sept. 1, 1903; J. M. Walker, Sept. 1, 1903; C. H. Phipps, Sept. 3, 1903.

10. One candidate transferred, viz.: C. L. Rogers, Oct. 22, 1902; and two dropped from the roll of candidates, J. M. Forbis, April 10, 1903; and G. C. Smith, Sept. 2, 1903.

11. No ministers died.

12. No ordinations.

13. Eight installations, viz.: Rev. R. W. Hines, at Bethlehem and Saxapahaw, Nov. 23, 1902; and at Mebane, Nov. 30, 1902; Rev. E. M.

Gilliard at Elkin and Beulah, Sept. 28, 1902; Rev. S. M. Rankin at Alamance, March 15, 1903; and at Springwood, March 29, 1903; and Rev. R. G. Matheson at Durham 2nd church, April 24, 1903.

14. Dissolutions of pastoral relations, viz.: Rev. A. S. Caldwell and High Point church, April 7, 1903; Rev. E. M. Gilliard, Elkin and Beulah, Sept. 2, 1903.

15. No licensures.

16. 21 ministers in charge of 41 churches; 17 pastors; 2 stated supplies; 2 evangelists; no licentiates; 1 foreign missionary; infirm 2; supt. home missions 1.

17. 12 churches vacant.

18. \$700.00, average salary paid ministers in charge of churches.

19. 14 manses, aggregate value \$25,000.00; rental value \$2,000.00 per year.

20. No church in one county, viz.: Alleghany; but we have a minister there.

21. The next stated meeting of Presbytery at Greensboro, N. C., on 12th day of April, 1904.

By order of Presbytery.

ATTEST:

D. I. CRAIG,
Stated Clerk.

At Alamance Church, on 3rd day of Sept. 1903.

II.—CONCORD PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Concord reports:

1. 34 ministers; 66 churches; 2 licentiates; 16 candidates; 6495 communicants; and forty three thousand and twenty dollars (\$43,020,) aggregate of all funds raised during the year ending March 31, 1903, being \$3,488 less than was raised the year before.

2. 716 members were added to the churches during the year, (a) on examination 417; (b) on certificate 299.

3. 3 ministers were received, viz.: Walter W. Edge, from West Jersey Presbytery, Dec. 2, 1902; Edgar Tufts, from Savannah, April 10th, 1903; A. S. Caldwell, from Orange, June 30th 1903.

4. 5 ministers were transferred, viz.: J. F. Pharr, Dec. 2, 1902, to Enoree Presbytery; T. D. Johnston, May 28, 1903, to Wilmington Presbytery; Henry Garrou, June 30th, to Monongahela Presbytery; W. T. Mathews, Sept. 4, 1903, to Durant Presbytery; J. E. Summers, Oct. 3, 1903, to Mecklenburg Presbytery.

5. 3 churches organized, viz.: Vines Valley, April 5th, 1903; Chestnut Hill, April 12, 1903; Harrisburg, July 21st, 1903.
6. No churches transferred or dissolved.
7. No licentiates received.
8. 1 licentiate transferred, viz.: W. E. Phifer, Oct. 3, 1903, to Macon Presbytery.
9. Six candidates received, viz.: A. P. Hassell, Dec. 2, 1902; Harris Johnson, April 11th, 1903; J. M. Gibbs, Oct. 5th, 1903; L. R. Vickery, W. P. Gibbs, and C. B. Flowe, Oct. 13th, 1903.
10. No candidates transferred.
11. No ministers died.
12. No ordinations.
13. 4 installations, viz.: A. J. Crane at Bethphage and Gilwood churches, 1st Sabbath of Nov. 1902; Jno. Wakefield, at White Hall, 1st Sabbath of Dec. 1902; Walter W. Edge, 2nd Sabbath of Dec 1902, at Morganton.
14. Dissolutions of pastoral relations, viz.: T. D. Johnston and Quaker Meadows church, May 28, 1903; W. T. Matthews, Hickory and Newton churches, Sept. 4th, 1903; C. A. Munroe, Lenoir church, Oct. 21, 1903.
15. 1 Licensure, viz.: W. E. Phifer, May 28th, 1903.
16. 24 ministers in charge of 55 churches; 18 pastors; 3 stated supplies; 3 evangelists; 2 licentiates; 1 foreign missionary; — Sunday Schools; — young people's societies.
17. 11 churches vacant.
18. \$530, average salary paid ministers in charge of churches.
19. 20 manses, aggregate value, \$32,875.
20. No county without church.
21. The next Stated meeting of Presbytery at Statesville, N. C., on the 7th day of April, 1904.

By order of Presbytery:

ATTEST:

W. R. McLELLAND,

Stated Clerk.

At Siloam Church on 5th day of October, 1903.

III.—FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Fayetteville reports:

1. 27 ministers; 85 churches; no licentiates; 13 candidates; 7,993 communicants and thirty-two thousand five hundred and eighteen dollars (\$32,518.00), aggregate of all funds raised during the year ending March 31, 1903, being \$5,192.00 more than was raised the year before.

2. 533 members were added to the churches during the year, (a) on examination 320; (b) on certificate 213.

3. 4 ministers were received, viz.: Rev. V. G. Smith, December 30, 1902; Rev. L. Smith, April 15, 1903; Rev. D. Munroe, April 15, 1903; Rev. E. W. Souders, October 7, 1903.

4. 1 minister transferred, Rev. Archie McLauchlin, February 9, 1903.

5. 1 church organized, viz.: Rowland church, October 8, 1902.

6. No churches transferred or dissolved.

7. No licentiates received.

8. 1 licentiate transferred, viz.: I. N. Clegg to Orange Presbytery, October 8, 1903.

9. 3 candidates received, viz.: Martin A. Ray, December 30, 1902; E. T. McKeithan, April 15, 1903; M. N. Bulla, April 15, 1903.

10. No candidates transferred.

11. No ministers died.

12. No ordinations.

13. 1 installation, viz.: Rev. D. Munroe at Hope Mills and Big Rockfish churches, May 31, 1903.

14. Dissolutions of pastoral relations, viz.: Rev. Archie McLauchlin, Feb. 9, 1903, with Peedee and Ellerbe Springs; Rev. T. F. Haney, Oct. 8, 1903, with Manly.

15. Licensures, viz.: I. N. Clegg, October 8, 1903.

16. 25 ministers in charge of 79 churches; 19 pastors; 6 stated supplies; no evangelists; no licentiates; 2 foreign missionaries; 84 Sunday schools; 20 young people's societies.

17. 5 churches vacant.

18. \$613.00 average salary paid ministers in charge of churches.

19. 8 manses, aggregate value \$9,000.00.

20. No county without church or minister.

21. The next stated meeting of Presbytery at Ashpole church.

By order of Presbytery:

ATTEST:

P. R. LAW,
Stated Clerk.

At Lumber Bridge church, on 8th day of October, 1903.

IV.—WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Wilmington reports:

1. 17 ministers; 51 churches; no licentiates; 4 candidates; 3,631 communicants, and thirty-one thousand six hundred and three dollars

(\$31,603.00), aggregate of all funds raised during the year ending March 31, 1903, being \$7,995 more than was raised the year before.

2. 279 members were added to the churches during the year, (a) on examination 165; (b) on certificate 114.
3. 1 minister was received, viz.: T. D. Johnston, June 19, 1903.
4. No ministers transferred.
5. Churches received or organized, viz.: Bethbirei, Feb. 27, 1903; Goshen Grove, July 5, 1903; Hallsville, June 29, 1903.
6. Church transferred or dissolved, viz.: Hub, April 9, 1903.
7. No licentiates received.
8. No licentiates transferred.
9. 1 candidate received, viz.: Henry Richard McFadyen, June 19, 1903.
10. No candidates transferred.
11. No ministers died.
12. No ordinations.
13. 1 installation, viz.: Rev. R. M. Mann, Oakplain church, March 14, 1903.
14. Dissolutions of pastoral relations, viz.: Rev. D. P. McGeachy, Burgaw Pike, Hopewell and Mt. Williams, Feb. 9, 1903.
15. No censures.
16. 13 ministers in charge of 50 churches; 7 pastors; 4 stated supplies; 2 W. C's; 4 evangelists; no licentiates; 2 foreign missionaries; 38 Sunday schools; no societies.
17. 1 church vacant.
18. \$778.76 average salary paid ministers in charge of churches.
19. 5 manses, aggregate value \$12,800.
20. No county is without a minister or church.
21. The next stated meeting of Presbytery at Whiteville on 13th of April, 1904, at 7:30 p. m.

By order of Presbytery:

ATTEST:

A. MCFADYEN,

Stated Clerk.

At Duplin Road church on 23rd day of October, 1903.

V.—MECKLENBURG PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg reports:

1. 26 ministers; 45 churches; 1 licentiate; 17 candidates; 6718 communicants; fifty-seven thousand nine hundred and eighteen dollars (\$57,918,) aggregate of all funds raised during the year ending March 31, 1903 being \$11,254 less than was raised the year before, this was due to the formation of King's Mountain Presbytery.

2. 543 members were added to the churches during the year, (a) on examination 223; (b) on certificate 320.
3. 1 minister was received, viz.: Rev. J. B. Mack from North Alabama Presbytery, Sept. 30, 1903.
4. 5 ministers were transferred, viz.: Jonas Barclay, Dec. 16, 1902, Baltimore Presbytery; Rev. R. D. Stimson, Jan. 24, 1903, Macon Presbytery; G. T. Thompson, March 24th, 1903, Sequoyah Presbytery (North); J. W. Stagg, April 17, 1903, North Alabama Presbytery; W. C. Hagan, Savannah Presbytery, Sept. 30th, 1903.
5. 1 church organized, viz.: Seversville, June 28th 1903.
6. 1 church dissolved, viz.: Stevens, April 16th, 1903.
7. No licentiates received.
8. 1 licentiate transferred, viz.: J. E. Flow, Upper Missouri Presbytery, May 21, 1903.
9. 3 candidates received, viz.: Geo. P. Stevens, Matthews church; L. W. Matthews, Providence church; F. W. Gray, Williams Memorial church, all on July 27th, 1903.
10. No candidates transferred.
11. No ministers died.
12. No ordinations.
13. 2 installations, viz.: G. H. Atkinson, Monroe, April 9, 1903; W. H. Davis, Sharon, May 30th, 1903.
14. Dissolutions of pastoral relations, viz.: J. Barclay, Mallard Creek, Dec. 16th, 1902; R. D. Stimson, Hopewell, Jan. 24th, 1903; G. T. Thompson, Sharon, March 24th, 1903; J. W. Stagg, Charlotte 2nd, April 17th, 1903; W. H. Davis, Providence, May 12th, 1903; W. C. Hagan, Amity, July 27th, 1903; D. McIver, Morven, April 16th, 1903.
15. 2 censures, viz.: J. E. Flow and W. M. Walsh on May 21, 1903.
16. 18 ministers in charge of 30 churches; 15 pastors; 3 stated supplies; no evangelists; 1 licentiate; 1 foreign missionary; 37 Sunday Schools; — young people's societies.
17. 15 churches vacant.
18. \$800, average salary paid ministers in charge of churches.
19. 18 manses, aggregate value, \$39,750.
20. No county without minister or church.
21. The next stated meeting of Presbytery at Steel Creek church, on 3rd day of May, 1904.

By order of Presbytery.

ATTEST:

T. J. ALLISON.

Stated Clerk.

At Wadesboro church, on 1st day of Oct. 1903.

VI.—ALBEMARLE PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Albemarle reports:

1. 16 ministers; 37 churches; no licentiates; 2 candidates; 2,298 communicants and twenty-three thousand eight hundred and twenty-eight dollars (23,828.00), aggregate of all funds raised during the year ending March 31, 1903, being \$1,870.00 less than was raised the year before.
2. 213 members were added to the churches during the year, (a) on examination 134; (b) on certificate 79.
3. 3 ministers were received, viz.: F. G. Hartman, April 15, 1903; R. L. Grier, April 16, 1903; C. W. McDanald, Oct. 7, 1903.
4. No ministers were transferred.
5. 2 churches organized, viz.: Makelyville, Nov. 12, 1902; Payne Memorial, August, 1903.
6. No churches transferred or dissolved.
7. No licentiates received.
8. No licentiates transferred.
9. No candidates received.
10. No candidates transferred.
11. No ministers died.
12. No ordinations.
13. 2 installations, viz.: F. G. Hartman, Greenville, April, 27, 1903; R. W. Alexander, Tarboro, March, 1903.
14. No dissolutions of pastoral relations.
15. No licensures.
16. 16 ministers in charge of 28 churches; 11 pastors; no stated supplies; 5 evangelists; no licentiates; 1 foreign missionary; 23 Sunday schools; 11 young people's societies.
17. 9 churches vacant.
18. \$760 average salary paid ministers in charge of churches.
19. 11 manse, aggregate value \$22,000.
20. No minister or church in 13 counties, viz.: Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Green, Hertford, Pamlico, Perquimans, Northampton, Tyrrell and Washington.
21. The next stated meeting of Presbytery at Newbern, N. C., on Tuesday after the third Sunday in April, 1904, at 8 p. m.

By order of Presbytery:

ATTEST:

E. D. BROWN,
Stated Clerk.

At Goldsboro church, Oct. 8th, 1903.

VII.—ASHEVILLE PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Asheville reports:

1. 11 ministers; 23 churches; no licentiates; 3 candidates; 1,508 communicants and twenty-seven thousand three hundred and forty-two dollars (\$27,342.00), aggregate of all funds raised during the year ending March 31, 1903, being \$17,448.00 more than was raised the year before.
2. 167 members were added to the churches during the year, (a) on examination 88; (b) on certificate 79.
3. 1 minister was received, viz.: Rev. R. B. Grinnan, April 7th, 1903.
4. 3 ministers were transferred, viz.: D. M. McIver, Dec. 16, 1902; T. A. Patton, Feb. 24, 1903; F. F. Jones, June 23, 1903.
5. No churches received or organized.
6. No churches transferred or dissolved.
7. No licentiates received.
8. No licentiates transferred.
9. 2 candidates were received, viz.: C. C. Brown, October 1, 1902; Francis Wilkes, Sept. 2, 1903.
10. No candidates transferred.
11. No ministers died.
12. 1 ordination, viz.: C. C. Brown, Oct. 12, 1902.
13. 2 installations, viz.: C. C. Brown, Oct. 12, 1902; R. B. Grinnan, April 26, 1903.
14. Dissolutions of pastoral relations, viz.: F. D. Hunt and Bethel church, June 1, 1903; T. A. Patton, Bryson City and Dillsboro churches, February, 1903.
15. 1 licensure, viz.: C. C. Brown, Oct 1, 1903.
16. 9 ministers in charge of 13 churches; 6 pastors; 3 stated supplies; 2 evangelists; no licentiates; 1 foreign missionary; 23 Sunday schools; 8 young people's societies.
17. 10 churches vacant.
18. \$700.00 average salary paid ministers in charge of churches.
19. 6 manse, aggregate value \$8,000.
20. No county without church or minister.
21. The next stated meeting of Presbytery at Brevard, N. C., April 19th, 1904.

By order of Presbytery:

ATTEST:

FRANK D. HUNT,
Stated Clerk.

At Davidson River church, October 7th, 1903.

VIII.—KING'S MOUNTAIN PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of King's Mountain reports:

1. 15 ministers; 32 churches; no licentiates; 6 candidates; 2288 communicants; and fifteen thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars (\$15,850), aggregate of all funds raised during the year ending March 31, 1903.
2. 243 members were added to the churches during the year. (a) on examination 130; (b) on certificate 113.
3. 3 ministers were received, viz.: Rev. J. M. Forbis, April 10, 1903; Rev. W. A. Murray, May 12th, 1903; and Rev. J. B. Cochrane, Sept. 9th, 1903.
4. 2 ministers were transferred, viz.: Rev. J. R. Millard, Jan. 27th, 1903; and Rev. J. T. Wade, Jan. 27th, 1903.
5. 1 church organized, viz.: Beattyville, Dec. 13th, 1903.
6. No churches transferred or dissolved.
7. No licentiates received.
8. No licentiates transferred.
9. 3 candidates received, viz.: Robt. G. Howard, April 10th, 1903; Jas. C. Brown, July 21st, 1903; and Simon G. Barker, Sept. 8th, 1903.
10. No candidates transferred.
11. No ministers died.
12. No ordinations.
13. 5 installations, viz.: W. R. Minter, Shiloh, March 26th, 1903; W. A. Murray, Lincolnton, May 12th, 1903; J. M. Forbis, Bessemer City, May 24th, 1903, King's Mountain, May 28, 1903, Long Creek, June 24th, 1903.
14. 2 dissolutions of pastoral relations, viz.: Rev. J. R. Millard, Jan. 27th, 1903; Rev. J. T. Wade, Jan. 27th, 1903.
15. No censures.
16. 15 ministers in charge of 30 churches; 19 pastors; 9 stated supplies; 2 evangelists; no licentiates; no foreign missionaries; 24 Sunday schools; 3 young people's societies.
17. 2 churches vacant.
18. \$525, average salary paid ministers in charge of churches.
19. 8 manses, aggregate value, \$7,850.
20. No county without church or minister.
21. The next stated meeting of Presbytery at Rutherfordton, on 12th day of April, 1904.

By order of Presbytery:

ATTEST:

S. L. CATHEY,

Stated Clerk.

At Lowell church, on 10th day of September, 1903.

B.

REPORT OF THE PRESBYTERIES ON SYSTEMATIC
BENEFICENCE.

I.—ORANGE PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Orange respectfully submits the following report on Systematic Beneficence for the year ending March 31, 1903.

1.	49	churches	contributed to	Presbyterial Home Missions .	\$ 1,942.00
2.	42	"	"	Synodical " "	2,031.00
3.	31	"	"	Assembly's " "	509.00
4.	47	"	"	Foreign Missions	6,729.00
5.	30	"	"	Publication and Colportage .	201.00
6.	38	"	"	Education for Ministry . .	637.00
7.	20	"	"	Ch. and Christian Education .	771.00
8.	38	"	"	Ministerial Relief	323.00
9.	28	"	"	Colored Evangelization . . .	230.00
10.	15	"	"	Bible Cause	109.00
11.	36	"	"	Synodical Orphans' Home . .	2,494.00
12.	19	"	"	Miscellaneous	3,646.00
Total					\$19,622.00

Being \$5,732 more than was raised the year before. Fifty-one churches reported, and twelve of them contributed to all the objects conducted by the church, and 39 to one or more of them.

Ten churches made no report, viz.: Pine Ridge, Sandy Ridge, Ebenezer, Elim, (colored,) Benlah, (colored,) Clark Memorial, (colored,) Hallowsays, Little River, Worthville, Rougemont.

By order of Presbytery:

ATTEST:

D. I. CRAIG,
Stated Clerk.

At Alamance church, on 3rd day of Sept. 1903.

NOTE—Pastors' salary and congregational expenses are not included in Systematic Beneficence.

II.—CONCORD PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Concord respectfully submits the following report on Systematic Benevolence for the year ending March 31, 1903.

1.	51	churches	contributed to Presbyterian Home Missions .	\$ 4,315.25
2.	43	"	" Synodical " "	900.66
3.	33	"	" Assembly's " "	219.00
4.	49	"	" Foreign Missions	3,487.00
5.	32	"	" Publication and Colportage .	105.00
6.	39	"	" Education for Ministry . . .	503.02
7.	27	"	" Ch. and Christian Education .	3,754.88
8.	38	"	" Ministerial Relief	150.00
9.	29	"	" Colored Evangelization . . .	124.00
10.	16	"	" Bible Cause	67.00
11.	42	"	" Synodical Orphans' Home . .	2,038.26
12.	23	"	" Miscellaneous	2,137.00
Total				\$17,801.07

Being \$6,117 less than was raised the year before. Sixty-one churches reported, and eleven of them contributed to all the objects conducted by the church, and forty-one to one or more of them.

Four churches made no report, viz.: Spruce Pine, Greenlee, Yadkinville, Elk Park.

By order of Presbytery.

ATTEST:

W. R. McLELLAND,

Stated Clerk.

At Siloam church, on 5th day of October, 1903.

III.—FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Fayetteville respectfully submits the following report on Systematic Beneficence for the year ending March 31, 1903.

1.	66	churches	contributed to	Presbyterial Home Missions .	\$	902.00
2.	66	"	"	Synodical " "	.	2,449.00
3.	56	"	"	Assembly's " "	.	320.00
4.	71	"	"	Foreign Missions		3,357.00
5.	55	"	"	Publication and Colportage .		210.00
6.	62	"	"	Education for Ministry . . .		339.00
7.	43	"	"	Ch. and Christian Education		990.00
8.	55	"	"	Ministerial Relief		216.00
9.	54	"	"	Colored Evangelization . . .		158.00
10.	28	"	"	Bible Cause		92.00
11.	51	"	"	Synodical Orphans' Home .		1,533.00
12.	33	"	"	Miscellaneous		1,634.00
Total						\$12,200.00

Being \$2,278 more than was raised the year before. Eighty churches reported, and fourteen of them contributed to all the objects conducted by the church, and sixty-six to one or more of them.

Five churches made no report, viz.: Macedonia, Troy, Sharon, Mt. Carmel and Salem.

By order of Presbytery:

ATTEST:

P. R. LAW,
Stated Clerk.

At Lumber Bridge church, Oct. 7th, 1903.

IV.—WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Wilmington respectfully submits the following report on Systematic Beneficence for the year ending March 31, 1903:

1.	29	churches	contributed to	Presbyterial Home Missions .	\$ 1,664.72
2.	28	"	"	Synodical " " .	1,113.89
3.	28	"	"	Assembly's " " .	190.38
4.	33	"	"	Foreign Missions	1,524.89
5.	23	"	"	Publication and Colportage .	97.22
6.	29	"	"	Education for Ministry . . .	409.84
7.	27	"	"	Ch. and Christian Education .	2,536.99
8.	27	"	"	Ministerial Relief	158.41
9.	20	"	"	Colored Evangelization . . .	91.29
10.	18	"	"	Bible Cause	59.70
11.	23	"	"	Synodical Orphans' Home .	626.17
12.	27	"	"	Miscellaneous	2,134.80
Total					\$10,608.29

Being \$968 more than was raised the year before. Thirty-three churches reported, and fifteen of them contributed to all the objects conducted by the church, and eighteen to one or more of them.

Eleven churches made no report.

By order of Presbytery.

ATTEST:

A. McFADYEN,

Stated Clerk.

At Grove church, on 10th day of April, 1903.

V.—MECKLENBURG PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg respectfully submits the following report on Systematic Beneficence for the year ending March 31, 1903:

1.	29	churches	contributed	to	Presbyterial	Home	Missions	. \$2,492.75	
2.	20	"	"	"	Synodical	"	"	. 817.21	
3.	25	"	"	"	Assembly's	"	"	. 568.30	
4.	28	"	"	"	Foreign	Missions	. . . . .	3,519.08
5.	21	"	"	"	Publication	and	Colportage	. 134.95	
6.	29	"	"	"	Education	for	Ministry	. . . . . 967.71
7.	29	"	"	"	Ch. and	Christian	Education	. 109.58	
8.	26	"	"	"	Invalid	Fund	. . . . .	188.69
9.	22	"	"	"	Colored	Evangelization	. . . . .	121.01
10.	4	"	"	"	Bible	Cause	. . . . .	38.49
11.	20	"	"	"	Church	and	Manse	Erection	. 300.35
12.	23	"	"	"	Synodical	Orphans'	Home	. . . 354.63	
13.	35	"	"	"	Miscellaneous	. . . . .		2,056.00
14.	25	"	"	"	Presbyterial	Fund	. . . . .	264.00
Total								\$11,932.75	

Being \$10,553.63* less than was raised the year before. Thirty churches reported, and ten of them contributed to all the objects conducted by the church and twenty to one or more of them.

Fifteen churches made no report, viz.: Lebanon, Cook's Memorial, Lilesville, Salem, Barclay, Benlah (U.), Siler, Mallard Creek, New London, Mizpah, Polkton, Alton, Beulah (S.), Bethlehem, Stevens.

By order of Presbytery.

ATTEST:

T. J. ALLISON,

Stated Clerk.

At Wadesboro church, Oct. 1st, 1903.

*This is the result to some extent of the formation of King's Mountain Presbytery.

STATED CLERK.

VI.—ALBEMARLE PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Albemarle respectfully submits the following report on Systematic Beneficence for the year ending March 31, 1903:

1.	23	churches	contributed to	Presbyterial Home Missions	. \$	969.79
2.	21	"	"	Synodical " "	.	745.30
3.	16	"	"	Assembly's " "	.	184.27
4.	22	"	"	Foreign Missions		1,317.82
5.	18	"	"	Publication and Colportage . .		146.19
6.	17	"	"	Education for Ministry		416.19
7.	15	"	"	Ch. and Christian Education .		64.00
8.	20	"	"	Ministerial Relief		159.75
9.	14	"	"	Colored Evangelization		135.38
10.	11	"	"	Bible Cause		69.00
11.	18	"	"	Synodical Orphans' Home . .		820.92
12.	11	"	"	Miscellaneous		1,120.00
Total						\$6,198.61

Being \$861.70 more than was raised the year before. Twenty-seven churches reported and thirteen of them contributed to all the objects conducted by the church, and twenty-three to one or more of them.

Nine churches made no report, viz.: Falkland, Louisburg, Nahalah, Olivet, Parmele, Roanoke, Roanoke Rapids, Scotland Neck, Strickland.

By order of Presbytery.

ATTEST:

E. D. BROWN,
Stated Clerk.

At Goldsboro church, Oct. 8th, 1903.

VII.—ASHEVILLE PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Asheville respectfully submits the following report on Systematic Beneficence for the year ending March 31, 1903:

1.	21	churches	contributed to	Presbyterial Home Missions .	\$1,855.64
2.	—	“	“	Synodical “ “ .	—————
3.	17	“	“	Assembly’s “ “ .	74.64
4.	15	“	“	Foreign Missions	1,000.54
5.	14	“	“	Publication and Colportage .	77.87
6.	17	“	“	Education for Ministry . . .	297.59
7.	—	“	“	Ch. and Christian Education .	—————
8.	17	“	“	Ministerial Relief	64.95
9.	14	“	“	Colored Evangelization . . .	61.82
10.	7	“	“	Bible Cause	22.00
11.	—	“	“	Synodical Orphans’ Home . .	—————
12.	—	“	“	Miscellaneous	775.00
Total					\$4,230.17

Being \$803 more than was raised the year before. Twenty-one churches reported, and six of them contributed to all the objects conducted by the church, and fifteen to one or more of them.

Three churches made no report, viz.: Andrews, Murphy and Highlands.

By order of Presbytery.

ATTEST:

FRANK D. HUNT,

Stated Clerk.

At Davidson River Church, on 7th day of October, 1903.

VIII.—KING'S MOUNTAIN PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of King's Mountain respectfully submits the following report on Systematic Beneficence for the year ending March 31, 1903:

1.	31	churches	contributed to	Presbyterial Home Missions	. \$1,219.00
2.	3	"	"	Synodical " "	. 95.00
3.	26	"	"	Assembly's " "	. 196.00
4.	30	"	"	Foreign Missions	875.00
5.	19	"	"	Publication and Colportage . .	79.00
6.	27	"	"	Education for Ministry . . .	68.00
7.	27	"	"	Ch. and Christian Education .	2,726.00
8.	27	"	"	Ministerial Relief	110.00
9.	20	"	"	Colored Evangelization . . .	60.00
10.	12	"	"	Bible Cause	37.00
12.	30	"	"	Synodical Orphans' Home . .	314.00
Total					\$5,779.00

Thirty-one churches reported, and eleven of them contributed to all the objects conducted by the church, and thirty-one to one or more of them.

One church made no report, Drusilla.

By' order of Presbytery.

ATTEST:

S. L. CATHEX,
Stated Clerk.

At Henrietta church, April 13th, 1903.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF UNION THEOLOGICAL
SEMINARY.*To the Synod of North Carolina:*

The health, diligence and conduct of the students of this Seminary give us much pleasure, and call for the Church's gratitude to the "Giver of every good gift and every perfect gift."

The course and results of the examinations convince us that we have a Faculty thoroughly furnished, and remarkable for ability and thoroughness in instruction.

We are happy to report that the health of Dr. W. W. Moore has been greatly improved by his vacation and travel, and that the loss caused to the Seminary by his absence this session has been reduced to a minimum by the very efficient and acceptable services of Rev. J. G. McAllister in Dr. Moore's department.

We regret to say that the number of students has been less than last year. Fifty-seven have been enrolled, representing fourteen states.

We have ample and comfortable rooms to accommodate a much larger number of students; a well kept refectory in the Westminster Building, and an income from scholarships sufficient to supplement the support of many students to a living point. Consequently, no student need be deterred from entering the Seminary.

The public services in connection with the close of the present session were begun by an address on Foreign Missions of marked ability, delivered by Rev. Dr. Egbert W. Smith to a large congregation in the First Presbyterian Church, Richmond, Va., Sunday, the 10th, at 8 p. m.

The Board met May 12th, 1903; present 20 members.

Last August a fire, whose origin cannot be explained, injured a part of the building and furniture of Watts Hall, but the adjustment of damages by the Companies in which they were insured was promptly and satisfactorily made. All the damage to the building has been repaired. Mr. Ancarrow, who repaired the building, also gratuitously did a good deal of other work, for which he has received the thanks of the Board.

LIBRARY.

The work of indexing the Library has been carried on, and it is hoped it may be completed in the next year. The Seminary is indebted to Rev. Dr. and Mrs. J. Calvin Stewart of Richmond for a donation of 181 books during the session.

INTENDANT.

The Rev. Dr. Thos. C. Johnson is made Intendant for the next year, and the Rev. Dr. W. W. Moore, Librarian.

DEGREES.

The degree of B. D. was conferred on the following:

Alexander Miller Earl.
 John Eldred Flow.
 William Fred Galbraith.
 Motte Martin.
 John Buckner Massey.
 William Everette Phifer.
 Michaux Raine.
 Lynn Francisco Ross.
 William Alfred Ross.
 Robert Gamble See.
 John Alexander Simpson.
 Asa Dnpuy Watkins.

Diploma without the degree of B. D.

Clarence Read Lacy.

The degree of B. D. was also conferred on Rev. David Howard Scanlon of the class of 1900, who, having already received his diploma, has completed to the satisfaction of the Faculty the studies of his literary course in which he was deficient.

RESOLUTION.

This Board has recommended that all the Theological Seminaries of our church arrange for tri-ennial meetings of representatives of each Faculty at the time and place of the meeting of the General Assembly.

FINANCES.

Endowment, Library and Scholarship Funds \$262,333.07, of this a loss of about \$3,000 will probably be suffered this year.

Real Estate \$221,140.36 (estimated). Of this only \$13,200 yield income. The Seminary buildings and grounds represent \$187,140.76, and other unproductive properties, \$18,800.

There is still due on the buildings \$37,000. Against this debt, however, the Board holds the following assets:

Unproductive Lots	\$12,000.00
Unpaid Subscriptions	2,762.50
Total	\$14,762.50

We also have a balance of a contingent subscription of \$22,000, which is payable as subscriptions from other sources become available in the ratio of one to four.

We are also informed that a bequest has been made to the Seminary by the late Mrs. Elizabeth Busey, of Washington, D. C., which it is thought may amount to \$30,000

A copy of the Constitution and Plan of the Union Theological Seminary is ordered to be forwarded to the Synods with this report.

The attention of the Synod is called to the amendments made in the Constitution and Plan of the Seminary, and their approval of same is asked. (See Constitution and Plan, page 23, filed with the Stated Clerk).

This report shows the urgent necessity for increasing the *Endowment* Fund of the Seminary to a sum which shall yield an income sufficient to meet the current expenses from year to year, and so avoid drawing upon any funds belonging more properly to other departments of the Seminary's work.

The Board, therefore, has authorized the appointment of a Financial Agent, and now hereby requests the two Synods to permit him to canvass their churches in the prosecution of his work; and it urgently begs the Synod to give him their hearty co-operation and commendation. The Board would call the attention of the Synod to the fact that the *Endowment* Fund is the one that is in most need of increase.

The Board reports to the Synod of North Carolina that the term of service of the following members of this Board expires at the next meeting of the Synod; viz.: Rev. P. R. Law, W. S. Primrose, Rev. E. W. Smith, D. D.

Also that Mr. W. S. Primrose has notified the Board that he cannot serve longer as a member of the Board.

The Synod of North Carolina is hereby memorialized to empower the Board of Trustees of Union Theological Seminary to create the office of President of the Seminary provided the way should be found clear.

Respectfully Submitted,

JOHN S. MUNCE, Secretary.

REPORT ON SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

Your committee in submitting its fifteenth annual report would acknowledge with profound gratitude God's signal blessing which has attended the labors of all our evangelists during the year that has just closed, and would express our most hearty appreciation of the loyal support and co-operation of presbyteries, sessions, pastors and evangelists throughout the Synod.

All the work previously inaugurated has been sustained and several new fields have been opened. The salaries of our evangelists and all other obligations of the committee have been met in full up to the first day of November, 1903.

Rev. William Black has been greatly used by the Lord in the extension of the cause of Christ during the last year. He has conducted 375 services, preached in 26 localities in 25 different counties and has been the instrumentality of reaching for Christ over 1000 souls, 376 of whom joined the Presbyterian church.

The following persons have been laboring under the auspices of the committee during the year: Revs. William Black, E. E. Gillespie, E. Mac Davis, J. P. Hall, J. E. L. Winecoff, S. C. Smith, W. A. Murray, A. H. Temple, Henry Garrou, J. A. Harris, E. P. Bradley, C. N. Wharton, E. D. Brown, James Thomas, James H. Jarvis, Dugald Munroe, L. E. Wells, J. C. Story, H. H. Cassady, Edgar Tufts, P. C. Irwin, I. N. Clegg, R. L. Grier, C. W. McDonald, F. G. Hartman, Mr. H. L. Ross, Mr. F. M. Hawley, Mr. Robt. H. Orr, Mr. D. W. Richardson, Miss Della McGoogan, Miss Ethel Buchan, Miss Laura Cromartie, Miss Mary Belle McKenzie and Miss Alice Elliot. All of these earnest workers have rendered most faithful service in the cause of our Master.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Amount on hand Nov. 1, 1902	\$ 4.73
Cash receipts from Nov. 1, 1902 to Nov. 1, 1903	9,798.79
Total receipts	\$9,803.52
Amount disbursed from Nov. 1, 1902 to Nov. 1, 1903	9,730.24
Amount on hand Nov. 1, 1903	\$ 73.28

E. E. GILLESPIE,
Superintendent.

See recommendations in Minutes—Clerk.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Foreign Missions is pleased to present an encouraging report. The whole church has felt the influence of the Missionary Revival so earnestly prayed for and so lovingly fostered by faithful toil. The church has found out what it means to "put feet to its prayers," and to-day we rejoice in the blessing of a year marked by *increase* in everything connected with this work, both at home and abroad.

1. In the matter of contributions, the total gifts for the last fiscal year reported to the General Assembly amounted to \$180,458.29 being \$15,575.29 more than the previous year. In our own Synod there has been an increase over last year of \$3,746.00, making a total of \$21,701.00.

2. The most remarkable feature of the Missionary Revival has been the work known as the Forward Movement, conducted under the direction of the Assembly's Committee by three young men, Messrs. J. L. Stuart, L. I. Moffet and J. F. Preston.

In view of this wonderful work the Assembly resolved in May to defer the election of a Field Secretary to some future time. Some idea of the success of the movement may be gathered from the fact that during ten months time 192 churches assumed the salaries of missionaries or took shares in the general expenses of mission stations, promising an aggregate of \$72,090.00 per a year, a gain of \$46,358.00 over the amounts contributed last year. Some of the churches enlisted are in this Synod, so that now we can make the following encouraging showing of the whole number in the Synod supporting missionaries. Asheville First, Charlotte First, (two), Charlotte Second, Concord First, Durham First, (three), Gastonia, Henderson, Laurinburg and Ida Mills, (together), Mooresville, Salisbury, Statesville, Washington, Wilmington First (two), Winston-Salem First, Maxton and Centre (together).

The following take shares in definite stations: Charlotte Tenth Avenue, Charlotte Westminster, Graham, Greensboro Westminster, Lumberton, Philadelphia and Robinson, Reidsville, Wilmington St. Andrews, Wilmington Immanuel.

It ought to be mentioned that, while not reported in connection with any definite missionary or station, the First Church Greensboro contributed last year enough to provide for the personal support of two missionaries.

3. There has been an increase in the number of missionaries. Eleven were added to the force last year, six others are now on their way to the foreign field, and ten more are under consideration by the committee. This is the largest increase for any similar period with the possible exception of one or two years.

4. The number of converts in Foreign lands is the largest ever reported in the history of the work, 1574 in one year, 737, nearly half, being received by the Congo Mission.

5. The growth of interest at home is indicated by the marked increase in the number of subscriptions to the Missionary, Children's Missionary and the Prayer Calendar, and last but not least the General Assembly has exhibited a greater FAITH by calling for the gift of \$250,000 for this cause this year.

6. In calling the attention of Synod to the death of Rev. D. C. Rankin, D. D., which occurred in Korea December 27th, 1902, your committee desires to have entered upon the records of this body, in this official way a testimonial to his memory, as a son of "The Old North State" and the gift of the historic Alamance Church in Guilford county to the Assembly and to the world.

The increase of the knowledge of missions was stimulated by his living pen and the love for this work so dear to the Master's heart has been deepened in ours by the circumstances and pathos of his death and burial upon missionary ground.

7. The final word of the Assembly's report is commended to your attention, "The Assembly earnestly exhorts all its Synods and Presbyteries and Sessions to co-operate with the Executive Committee in carrying out the directions given and to pray without ceasing that the Holy Spirit may fill all our people with the desire and purpose to evangelize the nations."

8. In closing our report, particular notice should be taken of the fact just brought to the attention of your committee that Miss L. D. Spear a missionary under appointment to go to Brazil next summer, is giving this year to work in the Foreign Missionary Office at Nashville looking to the better organization of the woman's work in the church, and especially to the organization of mission study classes, courses of study have been arranged and correspondence with the office is invited for further information by all who may be interested in this branch of the work.

ROBT. E. CALDWELL, Chairman.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

(This paper was not adopted by Synod, not being in hand, but is printed by order of Synod.—Clerk.)

To the Synod of North Carolina:

Your Committee on Ministerial Education would submit the following report:

1. As to the collections for this Cause. It should be said, at the outset, that there exists a very unfortunate confusion in the statistical report touching this Cause. The gifts to Church and Christian Education are included in the educational column. Since this latter cause has been receiving particular attention and the people are making unusual contribution thereto, the figures in this column have been abnormally large with the result that it requires special information in the matter to determine what is the actual amount contributed to Ministerial Education. As a matter of fact, \$24,659 reported to our last Assembly for Education from this Synod, only about thirteen hundred of that amount was given for the education of our candidates. It seems a pity to obscure the facts in that way for it breaks all the appeal which these figures should make to the conscience of the Church.

2. This will appear, when we look at these figures from the point of view of our duty to our Candidates. Last year we had sixty-five young men studying for the ministry. Now, had all of this number asked for the payment of the minimum appropriation of seventy-five dollars, we would have had to pay out five thousand dollars had we tried to keep our promise to those looking to us for aid. Yet, in fact, this Synod gave thirteen hundred dollars which was nearly four thousand dollars short of the obligations we had assumed. As it happens not all of our candidates received aid, possibly only about fifty were on our beneficiary list, and yet, even then, the Synod made provision for the payment of only half of the amount promised for their aid. That is, the church at large paid half the cost of supporting our students for the ministry.

3. The third matter to be mentioned is the increasing need of a closer touch between our candidates and the church under which they are preparing to preach. It would surprise many of you to find how many of our young men are getting defective training for their work because the Presbyteries leave them to select their college courses without proper guidance from those to whom they should look for such advice. The college cannot be expected to regulate this matter. If a Presbytery sends young men to college under their care, without instruction as to his course of study, it is left to the young man's taste too largely and the faculty can only advise in the matter. The result has been too much defective education in directions that the "book" lays down as essential,

and there is no discovery of the lack until the Presbytery must face the fact at the time of the candidate's examination for license.

This Committee would urge the Presbyteries to keep close watch over its young men and give them definite advice in the matter of their college work and send them to college instructed as to the course they are to pursue. We would express the opinion that no man ought to receive church aid who is not taking the course prescribed by our book unless Presbytery has formally adjudged such a student in one way or another "extraordinary," and shall have instructed the faculty accordingly.

4. We would suggest also, that the same oversight ought to be given in the matter of attendance upon our Theological Seminaries. There is no desire to unduly restrict the liberties of her candidates but we insist that the church ought to be the adviser in such matters.

Respectfully,

ALFRED T. GRAHAM, Chairman.

REPORT ON CHURCH AND CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

The Synod's Permanent Committee of Church and Christian Education beg leave to report:

1. This cause has excited an interest throughout the southern Presbyterian church during the past year as never before in her history, and as no other cause has ever done. This is due to continuous agitation, to the almost universal organization of Permanent committees in the Synods and Presbyteries, to the wholesome rivalry of sister churches, to the reawakening of interest in state education, and to the signal success of initial efforts in church and christian education. This is especially to be noted in the Synod of North Carolina, more than in other Synods perhaps, because we embarked first in the recent revival of interest which culminated in the adoption by our Assembly, and then by the church at large, of the "Plan of organization" and of the "Constitution for church schools," both of which were previously adopted by the Synod and Presbyteries of North Carolina.

2. The only school founded and controlled by the Synod is the Orphans' Home of which due report will be made by the Board of Regents.

3. Davidson college is controlled by all the Presbyteries in the Synod in conjunction with Presbyteries in other Synods. The number of students is much larger than ever before and many improvements might be noted if space permitted.

4. The female colleges, seminaries and institutes of collegiate grade under the care of several presbyteries are enlarging their patronage, appliances and usefulness in a most satisfactory way. It is sufficient in this report to name them—Peace Institute, College for Women in Charlotte, Red Springs Seminary, James Sprunt Institute, Statesville Female College.

5. The schools of secondary education for boys and girls, some under the care of presbyteries and some under the care of church sessions seem all to be in a prosperous condition and plans are on foot for founding others.

6. The mission schools in several presbyteries do by their usefulness amply vindicate the wisdom of sending the christian teacher into every field where the preacher goes.

7. References, in full detail, to all the schools above named would make this report too cumbersome, but your committee express the hope that Synod shall, in connection with this report or at some suitable time, allow the friends of these institutions to make brief statements concerning their progress.

8. This committee desires in this report, and with the approval of

Synod, to emphasize certain distinctions and principles of fundamental importance.

(a) Parochial or Westminster schools are controlled by a Board of Trustees appointed by a church session or contiguous church sessions jointly. Presbyterian schools are controlled by trustees appointed by one or more presbyteries. Presbyterian schools are under the management of Presbyterians, but have no ecclesiastical connection. Synodical institutions are governed by Synodical trustees. This nomenclature is important.

(b) The sole administration and government of all church schools properly belongs to the board of trustees and ought not to be touched by the church courts. If formal reports are made to the church courts, they should be received only as information.

(c) Presbyteries and Synods as well ought to adopt no schools except such as are of general interest, such as mission schools in mission fields, which schools will become in due season parochial schools. Presbytery also may properly found and foster one high school, or college only when such school may be of general interest to the presbytery. If a presbytery adopts two or more such schools, each of such schools becomes a matter of purely local interest, and the outcome must needs be jealousies, frictions and recriminations to the no small damage, both of the schools and the presbyteries. Local interest ought to have local control.

(d) Church and christian schools ought to make the Bible a text-book in all the grades and classes, and also the church standards as far as practicable.

(e) Trustees of schools should guard against debt especially in administration. It is both wise and safe for schools to "owe no man anything."

(f) We would commend to all who are interested in schools under church control to study and follow carefully the Constitution promulgated by the General Assembly in 1899 and approved and adopted by nearly all the Synods and Presbyteries.

9. The Synodical collection for Church and Christian Education. This collection in April is taken by many churches in all the presbyteries of the Synod. But the amount of the collections is comparatively small for several reasons—the large demands of proper local interests take precedence of the call for a general fund, then the Twentieth Century campaign has had the right of way, and is, and ought to be, overshadowing for a season—then most of the presbyteries have felt constrained for one reason and another to appropriate to their own necessities the funds collected under Synod's call. The precedents for this independent presbyterial action are too numerous, and too well established to be

called in question. Some of this non co-operation with Synod's committee seems to be a temporary expedient only; while some of the presbyteries are of opinion that they can accomplish more by non co-operation. It seems to us however, that a hearty co-operation of all the presbyteries will in the long run secure the largest and best results.

10. We submit as a part of this report a statement of the collections and disbursements in all the presbyteries as far as we have been able to ascertain. We make no attempt to set forth any statement of moneys contributed for founding or endowing permanent institutions of secondary or collegiate grade, but only such funds as are clearly called for by the Synodical collection.

Respectfully submitted,
J. B. SHEARER.

(See minutes for recommendations and statement of collection—Clerk.)

 REPORT ON BIBLE CAUSE.

The American Bible Society during 86 years has issued more than 70,000,000 copies of God's Word. The output last year was nearly two million copies, but this year alas! the income of the society has been reduced by about \$74,000. What does this mean? It means that the society cannot possibly do the aggressive work at home and abroad which it has been doing in years past while enjoying greater prosperity. It means that our own missionaries must be deprived to a large extent of the aid so quietly yet so constantly given heretofore by this Society. It means that even where our own missions at great sacrifice have allowed their ablest and best men to sit on translation committees in order to furnish the Word of God in the native tongue, the resulting version must wait for publication until the society can sufficiently recover her lost strength to do this work. It also means that the society cannot overcome this difficulty until the Church of God realizes that neglect of this cause is at the peril of Zion's greatest interest. "Curse ye Meroz, saith the Angel of the Lord, curse ye bitterly the inhabitants thereof because they came not to the help of the Lord, to the help of the Lord against the mighty."

But what says the Angel of the Lord of our Southern Church, with her gifts of about 2c. per member for this cause! What of our Synod with a contribution of less than 1½c. per member for spreading God's written Word? What of the 227 churches in our borders that made no contribution whatever for this cause?

It is perfectly plain that the Bible Society must do less work or have more means. Which shall it be? Are we willing for the society to cease to publish or distribute the Bible in the regions where our missionaries are laboring? But if certain regions must suffer a famine of hungering for the Word of God because of our neglect and parsimony, can we complain of injustice if our own mission fields at home and abroad prove to be the sufferers? On the other hand, if the society is to have more means for the prosecution of this work whence is it to come? It is easy enough to hope that some other church, or some other Synod will do more, but what right has the Synod of North Carolina to do so little for this cause? If our gifts are to be materially increased there must either be larger sums from the churches already contributing or contributions from other churches not now contributing. There's plenty of room for improvement in either direction. Many able churches seem to feel no shame in allowing an absolute blank opposite their names in the Bible Cause column. Previous reports have called attention to the fact that some of the strongest churches in our Assembly are doing nothing for the Bible Society. As a consequence

some of those named have taken the hint and made a contribution, yet some of our ablest churches are satisfied with a blank. The society asks for \$250,000 per year. Our Assembly's Committee believes that our church ought to raise 5c. per member for this cause. If our Synod is to do that much, there must be increase everywhere. In Mecklenburg Presbytery last year 11 churches gave about 1c. per member, the remaining 33 gave nothing. In Wilmington Presbytery 17 churches gave about 2½ c. per member, the remaining 32 gave nothing. By these examples it can be readily seen that if our Synod is to raise its part for this work, the churches not contributing must contribute and all must contribute more.

Attention is called to the lack of interest in this matter as shown in contributions. The Synod has made a net gain of about 15 per cent. over the previous year, but the *per capita* contribution is *small*. The Presbyteries have all shared in the net gain except Mecklenburg and King's Mountain; the latter being new has no standard of comparison, but the contributions of the two together show a decrease of 28 per cent. over the previous year. Albemarle has made an increase of 30 per cent., Concord of 18 per cent., Fayetteville of 33⅓ per cent., Wilmington of 43 per cent., and yet the Synod is giving to this cause only about 1⅓c. per member. Albemarle leads in liberality in this matter with about 3c. per member, while Mecklenburg with old time independence brings up the rear with less than ½ cent per member.

It is not easy to find the cause of this indifference. Some might suppose that the fact that the collection for this cause is set for a 3rd Sabbath would keep many churches from contributing; but this can't account for the difficulty. It has already appeared that many able churches make no contribution at all, though a 3rd Sabbath would do as well as any for them. On the other hand \$153 or about 31 per cent. of the entire contribution of our Synod came from churches paying less than \$400 pastor's salary. In Fayetteville and Wilmington Presbyteries about 5 per cent. of the contributions came from such churches. Perhaps one cause of indifference comes from a belief that the Bible Society is living at the expense of the more liberal branches of the church while the narrower branches, though sharing in the benefits, are bearing but little of the burden. Let this be granted. But is our Synod willing to be counted among such parasites? We claim to be part of the most liberal of all Christian denominations. Can we make good our claim by refusing to help in a worthy cause for the reason that narrow and selfish branches of the church refuse to help in it? By this refusal do we not actually number ourselves with those whose selfishness we denounce? Or can we hope to economize by trying to translate, publish and distribute the Bible by our own resources?

In the minds of your Committee there is a reason which may account in part for our indifference, and that is in the peculiar time for taking the annual offerings for this Cause. Synod meets and adopts a Committee's report, urging increased efforts. Then nearly a year passes before the time for the collection, and consequently many pastors overlook the Cause or forget its importance.

V. H. STARBUCK, Acting Chairman.

(See recommendations in Minutes—Clerk).

REPORT ON THE SABBATH.

No matter of more importance can engage the attention of this venerable Synod than the subject of the observance, indeed we may say the preservation, of the Sabbath institution.

Although the influences of this holy day are held in such high regard by all of the best elements in the church of God, the deadly foes of the holy Sabbath are increasing in activity and in power wherever Christianity is pressing its advance. The open enemies of the Sabbath institution, and the latitudinarian foes of Sabbath sanctity are in co-operation, and the loyal servants of God regard with pain, and contend with vigor against a hostile literature, which assails the very existence of the Sabbath day, lest it be struck clean out of the calendar of the church. More dangerous because more popular is the numerous army of foes allied for the desecration of this holy day. There are the patrons and advocates of Sabbath sports and games, of Sabbath travel, of Sabbath mails, and secularizing literature, and of Sabbath feasting and frolic.

These, with the increasing swarm of people flocking to our shores from foreign lands, by training and prejudice opposed to the American conception of the Sabbath, appeal to the people of God for increased zeal, activity and prayerfulness everywhere; and remind us that we must zealously guard this sacred day, else we will be robbed of this priceless heritage which God has bestowed upon us and our children. Already crowded Sabbath trains for popular resorts and places of amusement entice many of our communicants to prostitute this holy day. Sabbath mails are unblushingly patronized by many of our office bearers who are pledged to study the "Peace, unity and purity of the Church" while the American Sunday newspapers, with coarse and gaudy illustrations and prurient literature tempt multitudes of our unwary people, both to desecrate God's holy day, and to vitiate their tastes and good morals.

Your Committee then expresses the hope that more than ever will the members of this Synod use diligent means to stem the tide of Sabbath desecration.

We would call the attention of this Synod to the expression of the General Assembly's Permanent Committee on the Sabbath, "From our experience we feel assured that there is no better way of awakening public interest on the subject than by popular meetings and conferences held by ecclesiastical Assemblies." See minutes of 1903, page 336. Also the report of the Standing Committee on the Sabbath in the same Assembly, minutes pages 501-2:

1. "That our ministers be urged to keep this subject constantly

before the people, and that frequent prayer be made in public for the full restoration of this day with its sacred rites and privileges.

2. That our members be exhorted to keep this day holy according to the teaching of God's Word, abstaining from all forms of Sabbath desecration, and that they may build up in every way possible a healthy public sentiment on the subject.

3. That every session be urged to take up the question of Sabbath observance, and take such steps as will bring the question home to the minds and hearts of the members of the Church.

4. That each Presbytery hold a popular service for the consideration of the subject."

W. D. MORTON, Chairman.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

Your Committee is deeply sensible of the sacredness of the cause they represent before this Synod. States delight to pension their veterans, even soulless corporations provide for their aged and disabled workers, and surely our church should not lag behind in the care of her needy ministers who have spent their all in the service of our Lord. Prevented by the meagreness of their salaries from accumulating a competence, these worn-out veterans of the cross and their dependent families have upon our hearts and offerings a claim than which none can be stronger and holier. "If any provide not for his own, and especially for those of his own household, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an unbeliever."

All the various house-holds of faith in the Protestant Church are to-day making some special effort to meet their sacred obligations to Christ in behalf of this most worthy class of His beloved servants. All the larger branches of the Presbyterian Church have Endowment Funds varying from two hundred thousand to two and a half million dollars. Our Assembly of 1902 recommended the raising of an Endowment Fund for this purpose of one million dollars. Toward this fund \$15,000 have already been paid in.

A definite plan has been proposed by the General Assembly for increasing this fund. The plan is this: That each church secure subscriptions from its members by means of pledge cards payable monthly. In regard to the working and the wisdom of this plan our last Assembly reports as follows: "A considerable number of our churches have recently adopted the Assembly's plan, and a few have been using it more than twelve months. It is cordially commended, after a reasonable trial, as simple, efficient, and every way satisfactory." "We are fully persuaded," the Assembly states, "that if all our pastors would preach on this subject and explain the Assembly's plan and appoint sessional committees to distribute the pledge cards and to have charge of this whole business in their respective congregations, the people would respond so generously that a considerable Endowment Fund would be speedily provided."

The Assembly's Committee had upon its roll for the year ending March 31, 1903, the names of 161 beneficiaries, 46 ministers, 106 widows and 9 orphans. This is an increase over the number enrolled for the previous year, and an increase of 57 over the average number enrolled since 1869. If the dependent children in the families of our beneficiaries be included, then the number of persons, who last year received through this agency a much-needed though quite insufficient assistance, was not less than 400. That they are paid only an average of \$100 per family is not to the credit of our Church. Even if the con-

tributions of our church to this cause should reach this year the sum of \$30,000.00, which is the amount called for by the last General Assembly, still it would remain sadly true that we are far behind the majority of evangelical churches in our provision for the support of our aged and disabled ministers and their dependent families.

For the year ending March 31, 1903, our 13 Synods contributed through the regular channels to this cause the sum of \$18,000.00 in round numbers. This represents an average throughout the whole church of a trifle less than eight cents per member. We are sorry to say that the average throughout our own Synod is less than half this general average. The amount contributed by our whole Synod was \$1,370.00, or an average of 3.7 cents as against an average of 8 cents for the whole church. The average per member throughout our eight Presbyteries is as follows: Concord Presbytery, 2.3 cents; Fayetteville Presbytery, 2.7 cents; Mecklenburg Presbytery, 3 cents; Wilmington Presbytery, 4 cents; Asheville Presbytery, 4.3 cents; King's Mountain Presbytery, 4.8 cents; Orange Presbytery, 5.5 cents; Albemarle Presbytery, 6.9 cents. The most liberal of our Presbyteries to this cause fails to come up with the low general average of 8 cents a member that obtains throughout the church at large. If the other Synods had given no more to this cause per member than our Synod did, then, instead of the little appropriation of \$100 actually made, each dependent family would have received just \$47.00 as the contribution made by the church of the Lord Jesus Christ toward supplying them with the necessaries of life for a period of twelve months.

EGBERT W. SMITH, Chairman.

(See recommendations in Minutes—Clerk).

 REPORT ON COLORED EVANGELIZATION.

Your committee on Colored Evangelization would respectfully submit the following report:

There are indications of a slight increase of interest on the part of the Synod of North Carolina in the work of Colored Evangelization. It is true that the cloud we see is only about the size of a man's hand, but we trust that it betokens showers of blessings soon to fall.

In at least one of our Presbyteries a popular meeting in behalf of this cause was held during the fall session, at which several effective addresses were made.

There has also been an increase of \$49.00 in the total of contributions to this cause. Last year we were obliged to report a falling off of \$67.00. The contributions by Presbyteries for the past two years were as follows:

	1902	1903
Albemarle	\$132.00	\$ 135.00
Asheville	29.00	59.00
Concord	132.00	124.00
Fayetteville	171.00	158.00
Mecklenburg	166.00	127.00
King's Mountain		60.00
Orange	257.00	230.00
Wilmington	72.00	115.00
Totals	\$959.00	\$1,008.00

The report of the General Assembly's committee shows very clearly that any cause for discouragement that may exist is found in the apathy of the white people toward the prosecution of work among the colored people rather than a failure to reach the colored people by efforts put forth in their behalf.

A comparative summary indicating the work accomplished by our church during the past five years will show most gratifying progress:

	1899	1903
No. of churches	58	85
No. of ministers	50	54
No. of communicants	1,691	2,277
Added during year	255	252
No. of Sunday school scholars	1,850	3,851
Contributed for self support	\$1,648	\$3,928

A proportionate degree of progress in any one of our foreign fields would be hailed with enthusiasm and delight.

In closing this report we would call special attention to two points emphasized by the General Assembly's committee of Colored Evangelization:

1. The success met with in establishing and maintaining Sunday schools for the negroes taught by white teachers. "This work," says the Assembly's committee, "is not an experiment. Such schools have always found favor in the eyes of our church courts. They have been commended to our people, again and again, by our General Assembly. Nothing but good has resulted from them. They are the most effective means of evangelization possible to our people to-day."

The fact that there is only one such school within the bounds of our Synod (that at Davidson), justifies your committee in calling the earnest attention of the Synod to our neglect of this tried and effective means of reaching the colored people with gospel training.

2. The second point your committee would have you to note in the report of the General Assembly's committee is the great need of a larger number of colored ministers. The committee declares "We could use twenty good men at once to the very best advantage. We need men imperatively."

R. F. CAMPBELL, Chairman.

(See recommendations in Minutes.—Clerk.)

REPORT OF REGENTS OF ORPHANS' HOME.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

With thanksgiving to the Father of the fatherless for His continued favor, the Regents of your Orphans' Home present to the Synod of North Carolina their Annual Report.

Fifteen years ago at Goldshoro, you resolved to accept from the ladies of the Charlotte churches the work of caring for the orphans which they had initiated and you appointed a committee to take charge of it. The next year at Charlotte, plans for its control and management were adopted, while the work was continued in a small rented building in Charlotte, with about fifteen orphans under their care.

Thirteen years ago, in this Church in Wilmington, the Synod granted leave to the Regents to purchase thirty-three acres of land and an old summer hotel at Barium Springs, and transfer the Home to that place. A year after this our building and furniture were consumed by fire and we were left homeless, to occupy a small rented farmhouse in the vicinity of Statesville. This seeming disaster proved our greatest blessing, for it aroused the interest of the church in this great work throughout the State, so that, when the Synod met the next year in Statesville, you were invited to make an excursion to Barium Springs and dedicate two handsome and convenient cottages—worth ten thousand dollars. Thus the providence of God has led on our work until to-day you have nine convenient and comfortable buildings, with out-houses, and two hundred acres of orchard, garden and farming land—worth not less than fifty thousand dollars. And you have gathered here, at present, under the care of a superintendent, five matrons and five teachers, one hundred and thirty-five orphaned children, well fed, well clothed, well trained and educated. And all out of debt.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

The Superintendent has made his Annual Report, which recites that during the year just closed one hundred and forty-eight children have enjoyed the privileges of the Home. Thirty-five have been received into the Home, and thirteen have passed out, leaving a net remainder of one hundred and thirty-five; eighty girls and fifty-five boys. This is about fifteen more than can be accommodated conveniently, but very soon we will be able to accommodate one hundred and fifty orphans.

The report further recites that by the liberality of the Hon. George Howard, of Tarboro, a handsome brick building has been erected, in memory of his sainted wife, Mrs. Anna Stamps Howard, which will comfortably accommodate thirty children. This building your Board of Regents have dedicated this day with appropriate services, and hereby

present it to the Synod of North Carolina, with the recommendation that the thanks of the Synod be tendered to Judge Howard. This building is completed, but not furnished, and your Regents recommend that the Synod initiate, or recommend, the steps necessary to have it speedily furnished. There are twenty rooms in the building, and it will require about \$25.00 to furnish each room, making an aggregate of \$5000.00 to render it fit for occupancy.

The general health of the children and teachers has been very good. No local cause for sickness exists in the buildings or their surroundings. The drainage is perfect and the premises are neat and clean; yet three of the children have died during the year, two of them while absent on vacation, and one at the Home by a sudden attack.

The Superintendent also reports the completion of the Carrie Burroughs Dula Memorial Building, erected by Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Burroughs, of Charlotte, in memory of their only daughter. It is a handsome brick cottage, containing a beautiful room for the display of Mrs. Dula's paintings and bric-a-brac, a spacious library room, and a convenient superintendent's office. The thanks of the Synod have been tendered to Mr. and Mrs. Burroughs for this generous gift.

The Alexander Industrial Building, we regret to report, is still incomplete. It is of brick, the walls up, and the structure covered with slate. But the work has been arrested for lack of the necessary funds to complete it. This building contains rooms for laundry work, for a wood working shop, a printing office, shoe shop, and a canning outfit. About one thousand dollars has recently been contributed by a half dozen churches, which will at once be expended in carrying the work toward completion. It is a matter of extreme importance that the laundry and printing department, especially, should be finished and fitted up at once. It will require about \$2,000 additional to finish and equip the entire building, but the essential equipments can be made for a less sum.

FARM PRODUCTIONS.

The productions of the orchards and farm have not been quite as abundant this year as they were last year. The wheat crop was a comparative failure—only seventy-eight bushels have been yielded. The corn crop appears fairly good, but has not yet been harvested. Early vegetables were scant, but there has been a full supply of later vegetables.

Our farmer gives full satisfaction, and our farmer boys are receiving excellent training under his skillful management. The pastures have been enlarged and the dairying outfit increased, with the view of increasing our herd of cows, in order to supply a sufficient amount of milk and butter for our large and constantly increasing family.

WORK AND SCHOOL.

The exercises of the Orphans' Home are distributed into two general divisions, work and study. The forenoon, after the completion of morning duties, is devoted to study, for the most part. The afternoon is devoted to work on the farm, garden and printing office, on the part of the boys, and in the kitchen, laundry and sewing room on the part of the girls. The aim is to give a good industrial training to all the children, as well as a sound common school education. In cases of special aptitude and readiness to learn, additional advantages in education are given. A few boys and girls have been prepared for entrance into college, or their training in vocal music, which is furnished to all, has been advanced to elementary training in instrumental music. This advanced education has added nothing to the expenses of the institution, as the music has been given out of pure love, by one of our matrons, outside of her regular duties, and the advanced studies in mathematics and languages are given in the same manner by some of the other teachers. For our teachers, though working for a small salary, are college bred women, well qualified to teach in any school, and are serving the Home more for love of the work than for money. We are gratified to report that your Orphans' Home is under the control of a corps of zealous and devoted workers, worthy of the highest commendation.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Treasurer, Mr. P. M. Brown, has furnished his Annual Report, which has been examined by a select auditing committee and reported as correct, with credits sustained by proper vouchers, and cash as shown in the Report.

The total amount of receipts for the Support Fund, Press Fund, and Building Fund, for the year ending Oct. 1st, 1903, is . . .	\$14,990.40
Total disbursements	14,227.80
Leaving balance in hand	\$762.60
Receipts for support fund were	\$ 8,974.02
Disbursements	8,749.14
Leaving an excess of	\$ 224.88
But unfortunately for our accounts, we began the year with a debt of	\$ 606.18
So instead of a surplus of	224.88
We had Oct. 1st, 1903, a shortage of	\$ 381.30
The Press Fund had on hand Oct. 1st, 1902	646.26
Exhibits receipts for	432.91
Making a total of	\$ 1,079.17
The disbursements were	427.07
Balance on hand Oct. 1st, 1903	\$ 652.10

The Building Fund had on hand Oct. 1st, 1902	\$ 467.46
Receipts for the year	5,075.03
Total available	\$ 5,543.39
Disbursements for the year	5,051.59
On hand Oct. 1st, 1903	\$ 491.80

This statement shows that the Press Fund and the Building

Fund had on hand Oct. 1st, 1903	1,143.90
The Support Fund a shortage of	381.30

Leaving in the Treasury Oct. 1st, 1903	\$ 762.60
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The account of the Building Fund includes all the money paid into the Treasury for building purposes, as for the finishing of the Burroughs building, the new Howard Building, and the amount contributed for the proposed Barium Springs Church. The report with Oct. 1st, 1903, and of course contains no transactions made since that date.

INCOME FROM DONATIONS.

In addition to the statement of receipts and disbursements exhibited in the Treasurer's Report, the Superintendent reports contributions in kind of the estimated value following, viz.: Provisions, \$397.12; clothing, \$985.91; old clothing \$13.95; quilts, \$10.00; and new material, \$164.72; total, \$1570.95.

COST OF SUPPORTING A CHILD.

From the foregoing statements of income, we are able to furnish an estimate of the support of each child. The Support Fund disbursed in all \$8,749.14. Divide this by 128, the number of children, and we have \$68.37. This appears to be the method used by some institutions in estimating the cost of maintenance, per child. Another way of estimating is to count in the donations of provisions, clothing, etc. This will swell the outlay to \$10,320.09. Dividing this among 128 children we get \$80.62. But as part of the Support Fund is expended for furniture, fixtures, postage, insurance, farmer's salary, etc, this method of calculation does not appear entirely accurate. Our Superintendent, taking the actual outlay for the various objects paid for, estimates that the expenditure for each child amounts to \$72.11 for the year, or an expenditure per month of \$6.00 for boarding, laundry, fuel, lights, teaching, caretaking and medical attendance. Considering the appetites of growing children, and their aptitude for wearing out clothing, six dollars per month appears reasonably economical in this day of high and increasing prices.

REPORT ON APPORTIONMENTS.

The Treasurer has prepared with great care and accuracy the required report on apportionments and contributions by churches and Presbyteries. From this report it will be seen that our churches have con-

tributed more liberally this year than they did last year. This year the churches gave \$8,271.80, last year they gave \$6,495.16, making an increase of \$1,776.44.

The apportionments and contributions have been as follows:

Albemarle apportioned \$700, 20 churches gave \$600, short \$100.

Asheville apportioned \$300, 15 churches gave \$163, short \$137.

Concord apportioned \$1,800, 47 churches gave \$2,061, exceeded \$261.

Fayetteville apportioned \$2,000, 61 churches gave \$1,436, short \$564.

King's Mountain apportioned — 26 churches gave \$486.

Mecklenburg apportioned \$2,000, 28 churches gave \$1,024, short \$976.

Orange apportioned \$2,000, 43 churches gave \$2,031, exceeded \$31.

Wilmington apportioned \$1,200, 27 churches gave \$467, short \$733.

Add King's Mountain to Mecklenburg, \$1,510, still short \$490.

That is 268 churches contributed \$9,271, while the remaining 104 churches gave nothing. If these non contributing churches had given an average of three dollars each they would have made up the shortage of \$381, nearly, in the Support Fund, or if each of the Presbyteries had paid its full apportionment, instead of a shortage of \$381, we would have had a surplus of \$1,428. Though the Home has got along without the full apportionment this year, yet with the addition of more than twenty new children for whom room is prepared, and who have already applied for admittance, the Home will surely need the full apportionment the coming year, and even more.

PROPERTY OWNED BY THE ORPHANS' HOME.

Your Board of Regents have visited the Home twice during the past year, and looked over our property. They found the Buildings in good repair, with some additions and improvements made during the year, particularly the erection of the Mrs. Anna Stamps Howard Memorial Building, containing accommodations for thirty more girls, and costing \$4000, given by Judge Howard, the completion of the Carrie Burroughs Dula Memorial Building, the erection of a handsome piazza to the Rumble Hall, by the Pansy Club of the First Church of Raleigh, and the covering of the Alexander Industrial Building. The farm is in good condition, has been well cultivated, and there are large and growing young orchards that will soon yield an abundance of fruit, both for summer use and for canning purposes. The houses are supplied with an abundance of fresh spring water, driven up by a hydraulic ram, an apparatus capable of furnishing twice as much as is now needed. Unfortunately, a few weeks ago the reservoir near the Central Building, elevated about thirty-five feet, tumbled down with a great crash, on account of decayed supports. The water is still driven up and supplies the buildings, but for lack of a reservoir would be useless in case of fire. A new reservoir, of larger capacity and of greater elevation, is urgently needed at a very early day.

THE ADDITIONAL BUILDING.

The Synod at its last meeting directed the Regents to take the necessary steps for the erection of one or more additional dormitories. The Regents report the erection of the new dormitory by Judge Howard as compliance, in part at least, with the direction of Synod for the accommodation of thirty more girls. To make matters even, another building of similiar dimensions, for boys, would be required. The Regents do not feel that the present juncture is a propitious one to appeal to the churches for such a building, especially with the Alexander Building incomplete, which is far more necessary at once. We hope that in the Providence of God, the means for such building will be forth-coming when it is needed, as has so often been the case in the past. When the need becomes more pressing, and the way clear the matter will receive the attention of the Regents. In the mean time a larger and better building than the present contracted and dilapidated cottage is urgently in need for the use of our most excellent farmer.

THE ORPHANS' HOME PAPER.

Our Home paper, called "Our Fatherless Ones," printed and published at the Home, has undergone some improvements, and is worthy of a far more extensive patronage. It is neatly printed and carefully edited and filled largely with bright and attractive little articles, concerning the Home, the teachers and the children, and whenever it is carefully read it awakens a deep interest in the work of the Orphans' Home. In obedience to the directions of the Synod, efforts have been made to increase its circulation in the manner suggested by the Synod, but no great success has been achieved. An extensive circulation can be given to the paper mainly by the efforts of our ministers and other church officers, by commending it to the attention of the people, and appointing local agents to canvass among our people for subscriptions. Our Superintendent will send specimen copies and instructions to any of our people who are willing to undertake the work. Young boys and girls when interested make very capable and successful agents for this interesting paper as has been proven by actual experiment.

VACANCIES IN THE BOARD OF REGENTS.

The class of Regents, whose terms expire in 1903 consists of Rev. J. Rumple, D. D., and Rev. D. I. Craig. Of the class whose term closes in 1906, Rev. J. W. Stagg, D. D., has moved beyond the bounds of the Synod. The places made vacant by the expiration of the terms of these two Regents, and by the removal of Dr. Stagg are to be filled by the Synod at its present session.

This report has been read in the presence of Board of Regents, adopted by them and ordered to be presented to the Synod as their Annual Report for the year 1902-3.

Barium Springs, N. C., Oct. 22nd, 1903.

J. RUMPLE, President.

UNOFFICIAL.

I wish to send the following Resolution along with the Annual Report to the committee into whose hands the report will go, viz.: The Synod of North Carolina having learned that the Rev. W. R. McLelland, as a labor of love, and without compensation, as Chairman of the Building Committee has devoted weeks of his time to directing and superintending the erection of the buildings of the Orphans' Home, whereby hundreds of dollars have been saved to the Home, would gratefully recognize his valuable service, and hereby tenders to him its well merited thanks, and invokes upon him the blessing of the Father of the fatherless.

Personal, J. RUMPLE.

This resolution was unanimously adopted by the Synod, see Minutes page 31.—Clerk.

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STANDING RULES OF SYNOD.

Revised November, 1893.

I.—OF ENROLLMENT, ATTENDANCE AND ABSENCE.

1. The Stated Clerk, the pastor of the church in which the Synod holds its annual session, and the delegate of the session of said church shall constitute a Committee of Enrollment, who shall, at a convenient hour before the opening of the Synod, prepare the roll of the Synod. And to the Committee of Enrollment shall each member report for enrollment upon appearing at Synod.

2. It shall be the duty of each member, unless released by a vote of the Synod, when providentially prevented from attending the Synod, to address a letter to the Moderator, stating reasons for his detention.

3. The Moderator shall at every meeting appoint a standing committee on Leave of Absence. To this Committee all excuses for absence or late attendance, and for the latter on the part of ruling elders as well as ministers, shall be rendered. The roll shall be called before final adjournment, and those absent without permission shall be called to answer for such irregularity.—See also Minutes 1902, page 605.

II.—OF THE OFFICERS AND APPOINTEES OF SYNOD.

4. A majority of all the votes given shall be necessary in the election of the officers of the Synod.

5. The Treasurer shall submit to Synod annually his book, together with a report of receipts and expenditures, presenting vouchers for the same.

6. The Trustees of Synod shall be elected every four years, and they shall present annually a full written report of the funds in their hands.

7. Agents shall be appointed on each of the following departments of the Church's work, viz.: Foreign Missions, Sustentation, Education, Publication, Evangelistic Labor and Sabbath Schools. And it shall be the duty of these Agents to take into consideration the whole field committed to their supervision, and to present at each meeting of Synod a written report of all that is doing within the bounds of Synod on the subjects severally assigned to them. The Agents of these respective subjects, or chairmen of committees, in the several Presbyteries, shall forward to the Synodical Agents such reports as are needful in the preparation of their reports to the Synod; and the Synod shall appoint Orders of the Day for each of these causes at each annual meeting. In connection

with the Orders for Evangelistic Labor the Synod will hear reports from Presbyterial Agents and Evangelists, and, in connection with the consideration of Foreign Missions, a collection may also be taken for this object.

III.—OF COMMITTEES.

8. A Standing Committee shall be appointed at each annual meeting to whom the statistical reports of the Presbyteries shall be referred, and this committee shall condense the same and report to Synod any matter contained in these reports calling for action by this body.

9. A Standing Committee shall be appointed at each annual meeting to whom the reports of the Presbyteries on Systematic Beneficence shall be referred, and this committee shall condense the same and report to the Synod recommending any action called for on this subject. The Presbyterial report shall cover the fiscal year of the Assembly.

10. A Standing Committee shall be appointed at each annual meeting to examine the Synodical Records and report thereon.

11. *Resolved*, That the constitution of the Home Missions Committee of the Synod shall include the chairmen of the several Presbyterial Home Missions Committees, the Ruling Elders appointed from each Presbytery, the Superintendent of Home Missions, who shall be chairman of the committee, and the General Evangelist. The Ruling Elders, the Superintendent and the General Evangelist shall be chosen annually by the Synod. (Enacted, 1900.)

IV.—OF THE STATED CLERK AND THE MINUTES.

12. The Stated Clerk shall forward to the Librarian of Union Theological Seminary and the Librarian of Davidson College, the Secretary of the Presbyterian Historical Society, and the Secretary of the North Carolina Historical Society, a copy of the Minutes of Synod as published annually, and he shall file at least one copy in the Archives of Synod. (Amended, 1900.)

13. He shall issue and sign certificates whenever necessary for the return of members and their families on the railroads of the State to their homes.

14. The Stated Clerk shall publish in the Appendix to the printed Minutes the reports of the Presbyteries furnishing statistics to the Synod; the statistics of the annual reports of the Synodical Agents, when approved by the Synod, requesting, on behalf of the Synod, the publication of the full reports in *The Presbyterian Standard*; a list of the officers and appointees of the Synod; the Standing Rules of the Synod, and a docket of the business of the Synod at its next annual meeting.

15. The Stated Clerk shall publish in the Appendix to the printed Minutes, at least once in five years, the names of Ruling Elders and

Deacons, with their respective post offices, belonging to the churches composing the Synod; and the Stated Clerks of the Presbyteries shall forward to the Stated Clerk of the Synod the information necessary for the execution of this rule.

16. *Resolved*, That it shall be a Standing Rule hereafter in this Synod that whenever a Stated Clerk shall enter upon the duties of his office, he shall report to the Synod in full of whatever he has received from his predecessor, and the condition of the same when received. (Enacted, November, 1900).

V.—MISCELLANEOUS.

17. The Parliamentary Rules adopted by the General Assembly for 1886, and since that time observed by them, shall be the rules for the guidance of this Synod.

18. The Directors of the Union Theological Seminary, appointed by this Synod, shall render excuse to the Synod for non-attendance on any meeting of the Board, and if so absent without assigning sufficient excuse his seat in the Board will be declared vacant.

19. The election of Stated Clerk and Synodical Agents shall be held in 1886, and every three years thereafter—the former to enter upon his duties at the opening of the Synod immediately succeeding that at which he is elected, and the latter to enter upon their duties immediately after the adjournment of the Synod which elected them. (Minutes 1883, page 240).

20. It was made a Standing Rule that the roll be called at the opening of the Synod, that those who have been enrolled by the Committee of Enrollment may answer to their names. (Minutes 1885, page 612).

21. The Committee on Leave of Absence was instructed not to grant leave of absence except for urgent reasons, and the Stated Clerk was directed to enter this action upon the docket of the next Synod for information and caution to members of the committee and of the Synod. (Minutes of 1885, page 615).

22. When a vacancy occurs by death, resignation or removal beyond our bounds, in any of the offices of Synod (including the Stated Clerk, Agents and Directors of Union Theological Seminary) the Moderator is empowered to fill such vacancy until the next meeting of Synod, except in the case of those officers who are the heads of Synodical Committees, when the committee shall fill the vacancy. (Minutes 1871, page 579).

23. Memorials of deceased ministers shall be read at the close of the Synodical Communion. (Amended 1900.)

Resolved, That the Standing Rule No. 23 be amended so as to read

that the memorial services of deceased brethren shall be held at the close of the Synodical Communion.

24. *Resolved*, That the Standing Orders of Synod be revised as follows:

(1.) That the Synodical Communion be held at 11 a. m., on the second day.

(2.) That the popular meeting in the interest of Foreign Missions be held Wednesday night.

(3.) That the popular meeting in the interest of Home Missions be held Thursday night.

(4.) That Friday night be given alternately to Sunday Schools and Colored Evangelization. (Minutes 1894, page 260.)

25. *Resolved*, That it be made a Standing Rule of this Synod that the Moderator shall, when occasion requires, upon the death of a minister, in the interim of meetings of the body, appoint a committee of one minister to prepare a memorial minute or sketch of the deceased, to be read in the Synod ensuing and spread upon its records; and that the Stated Clerk of the Synod be charged with the duty of reporting to the Moderator such deaths as they occur.

26. That it be a Standing Rule that the afternoon of the second day be devoted to committee work, and that the Synod recede from business for the time being; and furthermore, that no special orders or other business be transacted to interfere with the reading of reports or other papers on the morning of the second day. (Enacted, 1900.)

27. *Resolved*, That it be made a Standing Rule of Synod that the last hour of each morning session shall be set apart for devotional exercises and preaching. (Enacted, 1900.)

28. *Resolved*, That the Standing Rules of Synod be amended by adding thereto the following:

I. That there shall be added to the Standing Committees, "a Committee on Special Orders."

II. That this committee shall be charged with the duty of fixing the special orders of Synod, and shall report to Synod as often as the business before it may require.

III. That all applications for a special order shall be referred by the Moderator to this committee, before action thereon by Synod. (Enacted, 1901.) (Amended, 1903, and changed to a Permanent Committee, p. 41).

29. *Resolved*, That it be a Standing Rule of Synod that the chairmen of the committees on Presbyterial Records shall confer with the Stated Clerks of the Presbyteries whose records they are appointed to examine before submitting their reports to the Synod, in order that the clerks may have the opportunity to make explanations in regard to their records before the matter is brought before the Synod.

30. *Ordered*, That the Devotional exercises at 11 o'clock, a. m., on the third day of each annual meeting be conducted under the direction of the Regents of the Orphans' Home, and shall consist in the usual introductory services, the reading of the report of the Regents, and a sermon by some minister selected by the Regents. (1902.)

31. The Synod hereby appoints the afternoon of the third day of its sessions for a Sabbath Conference, when selected speakers shall discuss questions related to the Sabbath, as the Synod's Sabbath Committee may suggest. (1902.)

32. The Synod appointed 4 o'clock of Thursday afternoon as the time for holding a popular meeting in the interest of Ministerial Relief, under the direction of the committee. (Enacted, 1903.)

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GENERAL DIRECTORY.

MODERATORS OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

MODERATORS.	PLACE OF MEETING.
1813 *Rev. Robert H. Chapman	Alamance church.
1814 *Rev. Samuel C. Caldwell	Thyatira church.
1815 *Rev. Wm. McPheeters	Fayetteville.
1816 *Rev. John Robinson	Raleigh.
1817 No meeting—no quorum present	Rocky River.
1818 *Rev. Joseph Caldwell, D. D.	Fayetteville.
1819 *Rev. Jonathan Ottis Freeman, D. D.	Raleigh.
1820 *Rev. Wm. Paisley	Poplar Tent.
1821 *Rev. John M. Wilson	Salisbury.
1822 *Rev. John Robinson	Hillsborough.
1823 *Rev. John Witherspoon	Fayetteville.
1824 *Rev. Colin McIver	Statesville.
1825 *Rev. John B. Davis	Greensborough.
1826 *Rev. Wm. McPheeters, D. D.	Fayetteville.
1827 *Rev. R. H. Morrison, D. D.	Salisbury.
[The Stated Clerk has no record of the two meetings or years of 1827 and 1828.]	
1828 *Rev. Lemuel D. Hatch	Raleigh.
1829 *Rev. John Williamson	Fayetteville.
1830 *Rev. Samuel L. Graham	Hopewell.
1831 *Rev. Hiram P. Goodrich	Hillsborough.
1832 *Rev. Samuel Williamson	Salisbury.
1833 *Rev. Henry A. Rowland	Wilmington.
1834 *Rev. James W. Douglas	Oxford.
1835 *Rev. Henry Pharr	Salisbury.
1836 *Rev. Joseph Brown	Fayetteville.
1837 *Rev. H. N. Harding	Shiloh.
1838 *Rev. Steven Frontis	Third Creek church.
1839 *Rev. Daniel A. Penick	Lincolnton.
1840 *Rev. Alexander Wilson, D. D.	Danville, Va.
1841 *Rev. William N. Peacock	Fayetteville.
1842 *Rev. Walter S. Pharr	Poplar Tent.
1843 *Rev. James Phillips	Raleigh.
1844 *Rev. Simeon Colton	Fayetteville.
1845 *Rev. Samuel Williamson	Charlotte.

*Deceased.

MODERATORS.	PLACE OF MEETING.
1846 *Rev. Drury Lacy	Greensborough.
1847 *Rev. Evander McNair	Fayetteville.
1848 *Rev. Cyrns Johnston	Salisbury.
1849 *Rev. John A. Gretter	Hillsborough.
1850 *Rev. Adam Gilchrist	Centre.
1851 *Rev. Archibald Baker	Rocky River.
1852 *Rev. Wm. N. Mebane	Danville, Va.
1853 *Rev. Hector McLean	Wilmington.
1854 *Rev. A. L. Watts	Concord.
1855 *Rev. Eli W. Caruthers, D. D.	Greensborough.
1856 *Rev. Neill McKay, D. D.	Fayetteville.
1857 *Rev. Walter W. Pharr	Charlotte.
1858 *Rev. Jacob Doll	New Berne.
1859 *Rev. F. K. Nash	Wilmington.
1860 *Rev. R. H. Lafferty	Statesville.
1861 *Rev. Edward Hines	Raleigh.
1862 *Rev. John M. Sherwood	Goldsborough.
1863 *Rev. R. N. Davis	Salisbury.
1864 *Rev. A. G. Hughes	Greensborough.
1865 Rev. Colin Shaw	Fayetteville.
1866 *Rev. R. Hewett Chapman, D. D.	Charlotte.
1867 Rev. Archibald Currie	New Berne.
1868 *Rev. D. D. McBride	Wilmington.
1869 *Rev. Jesse Rankin	Morganton.
1870 *Rev. R. A. Stanford	Raleigh.
1871 *Rev. J. P. McPherson	Fayetteville.
1872 *Rev. Arnold W. Miller, D. D.	Charlotte.
1873 *Rev. James M. Sprunt	Wilmington.
1874 Rev. J. Rumble, D. D.	Concord.
1875 *Rev. P. H. Dalton	Greensborough.
1876 *Rev. Martin McQueen	Fayetteville.
1877 *Rev. John Douglas	Charlotte.
1878 *Rev. Joseph R. Wilson, D. D.	Goldsborough.
1879 *Rev. E. F. Rockwell, D. D.	Statesville.
1880 *Rev. J. Henry Smith, D. D.	Raleigh.
1881 Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D.	Salisbury.
1882 Rev. L. McKinnon, D. D.	Asheville.
1883 *Rev. F. H. Johnston, D. D.	Wilmington.
1884 *Rev. P. T. Penick	Winston.
1885 *Rev. J. C. Alexander	Reidsville.
1886 Rev. J. W. Primrose, D. D.,	Concord.

*Deceased.

	MODERATORS.	PLACE OF MEETING.
1887	Rev. R. Z. Johnston	Fayetteville.
1888	*Hon. A. M. Scales	Goldsborough.
1889	Rev. J. M. Wharey, D. D.	Charlotte.
1890	Rev. Alexander Sprunt, D. D.	Wilmington.
1891	Rev. W. E. McIlwain	Durham.
1892	Rev. J. M. Rose, D. D.	Statesville.
1893	Rev. P. H. Hoge, D. D.	Tarboro.
1894	Rev. W. B. Arrowood.	Greensborough.
1895	Rev. Eugene Daniel, D. D.	Fayetteville.
1896	Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D.	New Berne.
1897	Rev. J. B. Shearer, D. D.	Salisbury.
1898	Rev. R. F. Campbell, D. D.	Gastonia.
1899	Rev. Wm. Black	Asheville.
1900	Rev. W. D. Morton, D. D.	Raleigh.
1901	Rev. Robert E. Caldwell, D. D.	Charlotte.
1902	Rev. C. G. Vardell, D. D.	Winston.
1903	Rev. A. T. Graham, D. D.	Wilmington.

*Deceased.

 UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FROM THE SYNOD
OF NORTH CAROLINA.

FIRST CLASS—TO SERVE FOUR YEARS.

To go out in 1907.

Rev. Egbert W. Smith, D. D.,

Rev. P. R. Law,

Mr. C. M. Brown, Ruling Elder.

SECOND CLASS—TO SERVE THREE YEARS.

To go out in 1906.

Rev. J. Rumble, D. D.,

Rev. Archibald McFadyen,

Mr. Geo. W. Watts, Ruling Elder.

THIRD CLASS—TO SERVE TWO YEARS.

To go out in 1905.

Rev. J. R. Howerton, D. D.,

Rev. W. D. Morton, D. D.,

Mr. B. F. Hall, Ruling Elder.

FOURTH CLASS—TO SERVE ONE YEAR.

To go out in 1904.

Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D.,

Rev. R. F. Campbell, D. D.,

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 REGENTS OF THE ORPHANS' HOME.

FIRST CLASS—TO SERVE FIVE YEARS.

To go out in 1908.

Rev. J. Rumble, D. D.,

Rev. D. I. Craig.

SECOND CLASS—TO SERVE FOUR YEARS.

To go out in 1907.

Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D.,

Rev. C. G. Vardell, D. D.

THIRD CLASS—TO SERVE THREE YEARS.

To go out in 1906.

Rev. Geo. H. Atkinson,

Mr. Geo. W. Watts, Ruling Elder.

FOURTH CLASS—TO SERVE TWO YEARS.

To go out in 1905.

Rev. W. R. McLelland, Dr. W. J. Hill, Ruling Elder.

FIFTH CLASS—TO SERVE ONE YEAR.

To go out in 1904.

Mr. P. M. Brown, Ruling Elder, Mr. J. C. Steele, Ruling Elder.

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FIRST CLASS—TO SERVE THREE YEARS.

To go out in 1906.

Mr. Jno. F. Love.

SECOND CLASS—TO SERVE TWO YEARS.

To go out in 1905.

Rev. J. B. Shearer, D. D.

THIRD CLASS—TO SERVE ONE YEAR.

To go out in 1904.

Rev. R. F. Campbell, D. D.

SYNODICAL COMMITTEES AND EVANGELIST.

To go out in 1904.

Synodical Home Missions, (elected annually)	Rev. E. E. Gillespie, Supt. and Ch'm.
Synodical Evangelist (elected annually)	Rev. William Black.
Foreign Missions	Rev. R. E. Caldwell, D. D., Ch'm.
Ministerial Education	Rev. A. T. Graham, D. D., Ch'm.
Church and Christian Education	Rev. J. B. Shearer, D. D., Ch'm.
Colored Evangelization	Rev. R. F. Campbell, D. D., Ch'm.
Publication and Sabbath School Work	Rev. Geo. H. Cornelson, Ch'm.
Bible Cause	Rev. J. M. Wells, Chairman.
Assembly's Home Missions	Rev. J. R. Howerton, D. D., Ch'm.
Sabbath and Family Religion	Rev. W. D. Morton, D. D., Ch'm.
Ministerial Relief	Rev. E. W. Smith, D. D., Chairman.
Historical Committee	Rev. D. I. Craig, Chairman.
Special Orders	The Mod. and Stated Clerk (<i>ex-officio</i>)

TRUSTEES OF SYNOD TO SERVE FOUR YEARS.

To go out in 1907.

Dr. J. R. Irwin, Chairman	Charlotte.
Mr. J. C. Burroughs	Charlotte.
Hon. A. C. Avery	Morganton.
Mr. D. F. Cannon	Concord.
Mr. F. A. Sherrill	Statesville.
Mr. P. S. Gilchrist	Charlotte.
Mr. R. A. Dunn	Charlotte.

STATED CLERKS OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

1813	*Rev. Robert H. Chapman.
1818	*Rev. Colin McIver.
1849	*Rev. Drury Lacy.
1855	*Rev. Archibald Baker.
1859	*Rev. Jacob Doll.
1878	*Rev. William S. Lacy.
1886	*Rev. J. A. Ramsay.
1900	Rev. D. I. Craig, Reidsville, N. C.

TREASURER OF SYNOD.

Rev. D. I. Craig	Reidsville, N. C.
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STATED CLERKS OF PRESBYTERIES.

Orange—Rev. D. I. Craig	Reidsville.
Concord—Rev. W. R. McLelland	Statesville.
Fayetteville—Rev. P. R. Law	Lumber Bridge.
Wilmington—Rev. A. McFadyen	Clarkton.
Mecklenburg—Rev. T. J. Allison	Sugar Creek.
Albemarle—Rev. E. D. Brown	Kinston.
Asheville—Rev. F. D. Hunt	Waynesville.
King's Mountain—Rev. S. L. Cathey	Rutherfordton.

*Deceased.

 TREASURERS OF PRESBYTERIES.

Orange—Mr. T. B. Fuller	Durham.
Concord—Mr. H. C. Dixon	Hickory.
Fayetteville—Rev. W. T. Walker	Rowland.
Wilmington—Mr. John McLaurin	Wilmington.
Mecklenburg—Mr. J. M. Harry	Charlotte.
Albemarle—Rev. E. D. Brown	Kinston.
Asheville—Rev. R. P. Smith	Asheville.
King's Mountain—Mr. John F. Love	Gastonia.

 THE PERMANENT COMMITTEES OF SYNOD.

HOME MISSIONS.

REV. E. E. GILLESPIE, Superintendent and Chairman.

REV. WILLIAM BLACK, General Evangelist.

Orange—Rev. E. C. Murray, D. D., Mr. J. M. Rogers.

Concord—Rev. C. A. Munroe, Mr. J. G. Hall.

Fayetteville—Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D., Dr. J. W. McNeill.

Wilmington—Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D., Mr. B. F. Hall.

Mecklenburg—Rev. T. J. Allison, Mr. A. G. Brenizer.

Albemarle—Rev. W. D. Morton, D. D., Mr. J. R. Young.

Asheville—Rev. R. F. Campbell, D. D., Maj. Robert Bingham.

King's Mountain—Rev. W. R. Minter, Dr. C. E. Adams.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

REV. R. E. CALDWELL, D. D., Synodical Chairman.

Orange—Rev. R. E. Caldwell, D. D., Chairman.

Concord—Rev. G. H. Cornelson, Jr., Chairman.

Fayetteville—Rev. W. T. Walker, Chairman.

Wilmington—Rev. J. M. Wells, Ph. D., Chairman.

Mecklenburg—Rev. W. O. Sample, Chairman.

Albemarle—Rev. J. H. Henderlite, Chairman.

Asheville—Rev. D. M. Douglas, Chairman.

King's Mountain—Rev. M. McG. Shields, Chairman.

 EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY.

REV. A. T. GRAHAM, D. D., Synodical Chairman.

- Orange—Rev. C. E. Hodgin, Chairman.
 Concord—Rev. A. T. Graham, D. D., Chairman.
 Fayetteville—Rev. C. F. Rankin, Chairman.
 Wilmington—Rev. J. C. Story, Chairman.
 Mecklenburg—Rev. G. W. Belk, Chairman.
 Albemarle—Rev. H. S. Bradshaw, Chairman.
 Asheville—Rev. R. B. Grinnan, D. D., Chairman.
 King's Mountain—Rev. W. H. Wilson, Chairman.
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CHURCH AND CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

REV. J. B. SHEARER, D. D., Synodical Chairman.

- Orange—Rev. R. G. Matheson, Chairman.
 Concord—Rev. J. B. Shearer, D. D., Chairman.
 Fayetteville—Rev. P. R. Law, Chairman.
 Wilmington—Rev. L. E. Wells, Chairman.
 Mecklenburg—Rev. G. H. Atkinson, Chairman.
 Albemarle—Rev. G. W. Lawson, Chairman.
 Asheville—Rev. E. Mac. Davis, Chairman.
 King's Mountain—Rev. R. C. Morrison, Chairman.
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COLORED EVANGELIZATION.

REV. R. F. CAMPBELL, D. D., Synodical Chairman.

- Orange—Rev. J. McL. Seabrook, Chairman.
 Concord—Rev. J. A. Gilmer, Chairman.
 Fayetteville—Rev. J. M. Rose, D. D., Chairman.
 Wilmington—Rev. P. McIntyre, Chairman.
 Mecklenburg—Rev. J. H. Dixon, Chairman.
 Albemarle—Rev. E. P. Bradley, Chairman.
 Asheville—Rev. E. A. Sample, Chairman.
 King's Mountain—Rev. J. B. Cochrane, Chairman.

BIBLE CAUSE.

REV. J. M. WELLS, Synodical Chairman.

- Orange—Rev. John H. Grey, Chairman.
 Concord—Rev. W. C. Brown, Chairman.
 Fayetteville—Rev. G. T. Pace, Chairman.
 Wilmington—Rev. V. H. Starbuck, Chairman.
 Mecklenburg—Rev. J. R. McAlpine, Chairman.
 Albemarle—Rev. J. H. Jarvis, Chairman.
 Asheville—Rev. T. W. DeVane, Chairman.
 King's Mountain—Rev. G. A. Sparrow, Chairman.

PUBLICATION AND SABBATH SCHOOL WORK.

REV. G. H. CORNELSON, Synodical Chairman.

- Orange—Rev. B. W. Mebane, D. D., Chairman.
 Concord—Rev. John Wakefield, Chairman.
 Fayetteville—Rev. J. K. Roberts, Chairman.
 Wilmington—Rev. R. M. Williams, Chairman.
 Mecklenburg—Rev. P. H. Gwinn, Chairman.
 Albemarle—Rev. F. W. Farries, Chairman.
 Asheville—Rev. R. P. Smith, Chairman.
 King's Mountain—Rev. T. C. Croker, Chairman.

SABBATH AND FAMILY RELIGION.

REV. W. D. MORTON, D. D., Synodical Chairman.

- Orange—Rev. J. W. Goodman, Chairman.
 Concord—Rev. C. M. Richards, Chairman.
 Fayetteville—Rev. J. K. Roberts, Chairman.
 Wilmington—Rev. P. McIntyre, Chairman.
 Mecklenburg—Rev. J. J. Harrell, Chairman.
 Albemarle—Rev. E. D. Brown, Chairman.
 Asheville—Rev. S. W. Newell, Chairman.
 King's Mountain—Rev. W. A. Murray, Chairman.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

REV. E. W. SMITH, D. D., Synodical Chairman.

Orange—Rev. M. C. Arrowood, Chairman.
 Concord—Rev. R. S. Arrowood, Chairman.
 Fayetteville—Rev. P. R. Law, Chairman.
 Wilmington—Rev. C. W. Trawick, Chairman.
 Mecklenburg—Rev. J. A. Dorritee, Chairman.
 Albemarle—Rev. J. H. Henderlite, Chairman.
 Asheville—Rev. C. C. Brown, Chairman.
 King's Mountain—Rev. R. Z. Johnston, Chairman.

ASSEMBLY'S HOME MISSIONS.

Appointed by Synod { Rev. J. R. Howerton, D. D., Chairman.
 Rev. G. H. Cornelson, Jr.
 Rev. A. T. Graham, D. D.
 Dr. J. M. Belk.
 Mr. William Anderson.
 Asheville—Rev. F. D. Hunt.

SYNODICAL HISTORICAL COMMITTEE.

REV. D. I. CRAIG, Chairman.

SPECIAL ORDERS.

The Moderator, }
 The Stated Clerk, } Members, *ex-officio*.
 Rev. E. R. Leyburn.
 Rev. R. G. Matheson.
 Mr. Geo. W. Watts.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON TWENTIETH CENTURY FUND.

Rev. Egbert W. Smith, D. D., Chairman Greensboro.
 Rev. E. C. Murray, D. D. Graham.
 Rev. E. R. Leyburn Durham.
 Mr. E. P. Wharton Greensboro.
 Mr. J. M. McIver Gulf.

ROLL OF MINISTERS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA SYNOD, 1903.

I.—ORANGE PRESBYTERY.

	MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE.
1	A. Currie	Hillsboro.
2	D. I. Craig	Reidsville.
3	E. W. Smith, D. D.	Greensboro.
4	R. W. Culbertson	Mebane.
5	J. McL. Seabrook	Greensboro.
6	R. E. Caldwell, D. D.	Winston.
7	C. W. Robinson	North Wilkesboro.
8	H. D. Lequeux	Greensboro.
9	R. W. George	Francisco.
10	Joseph Evans	Milton.
11	E. C. Murray, D. D.	Graham.
12	E. E. Gillespie	Greensboro.
13	S. H. Williamson	Yanceyville.
14	B. B. Palmer (colored)	Semora.
15	R. L. Wharton	Cuba.
16	J. W. Goodman	Hillsboro.
17	C. E. Hodgin	Greensboro.
18	B. W. Mebane, D. D.	Mt. Airy.
19	R. G. Matheson	Durham.
20	John H. Grey	Lexington.
21	E. R. Leyburn	Durham.
22	M. C. Arrowood	Burlington.
23	S. C. Smith	Jefferson.
24	R. W. Hines	Mebane.
25	S. M. Rankin	Greensboro.

II.—CONCORD PRESBYTERY.

	MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE.
1	J. Rumble, D. D.	Salisbury.
2	W. W. Pharr, D. D.	Mooreville.
3	Jno. W. Davis, D. D.	Columbia, S. C.
4	J. M. Wharey, D. D.	Mooreville.
5	B. L. Beall	Greensboro.
6	C. A. Munroe	Lenoir.
7	L. McKimmon, D. D.	Clinton.

MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE.
8 W. R. McLelland	Statesville.
9 R. S. Arrowood	Woodleaf.
10 J. B. Shearer, D. D.	Davidson.
11 E. E. Pressly	Scotts.
12 A. T. Graham, D. D.	Davidson.
13 R. W. Boyd	Barium Springs.
14 J. C. Kennedy	Mt. Mourne.
15 J. A. Harris	Micaville.
16 W. C. Brown	Fancy Hill.
17 W. J. Tidball	Taylorville.
18 J. M. Greenlee	Marion.
19 John Wakefield	Spencer.
20 J. A. Gilmer	Mill Bridge.
21 J. A. Scott	Statesville.
22 J. M. McLain	Concord.
23 W. S. Wilson	Marion.
24 C. M. Richards	Statesville.
25 Geo. H. Cornelson	Concord.
26 W. A. Gillon	Concord.
27 R. J. Hunter	Harrisburg.
28 F. M. Allen	Mocksville.
29 J. P. Hall	Banner Elk.
30 L. M. Kerschner	Spencer.
31 A. J. Crane	Mill Hill.
32 W. W. Edge	Morganton.
33 Edgar Tufts	Banner Elk.
34 A. S. Caldwell	Barium Springs.

III.—FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY.

MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE.
1 H. G. Hill, D. D.	Maxton.
2 David Fairley	Manchester.
3 A. N. Ferguson	Laurinburg.
4 K. M. McIntyre, D. D.	Carl.
5 J. S. Black	Linden.
6 P. R. Law	Lumber Bridge.
7 K. A. McLeod	Jonesboro.
8 M. N. McIver	Rockingham.
9 W. F. Thom	Gulf.
10 M. D. McNeill	Sanford.

	MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE.
11	L. L. Little	China.
12	W. R. Coppedge	Rockingham.
13	W. C. Buchanan	Japan.
14	C. G. Vardell, D. D.	Red Springs.
15	H. T. Graham	Fayetteville.
16	J. P. McMillan, D. D.	St Paul's.
17	C. F. Rankin	Red Springs.
18	J. M. Rose, D. D.	Laurinburg.
19	G. T. Pace	Red Springs.
20	W. T. Walker	Rowland.
21	L. A. McLaurin	West End.
22	J. K. Roberts	Carthage.
23	J. A. Caligan	Antioch.
24	T. F. Haney	Fayetteville.
25	V. G. Smith	Fayetteville.
26	L. Smith	Dunn.
27	D. Munroe	Cotton.
27	E. W. Souders	Fayetteville.

IV.—WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY.

	MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE.
1	Colin Shaw	Klondyke.
2	James Kelly	Clarkton.
3	A. McFadyen	Clarkton.
4	Peter McIntyre	Faison.
5	A. D. McClure, D. D.	Wilmington.
6	S. H. Isler	Goldsboro.
7	J. E. L. Winecoff	Whiteville.
8	Wm. M. Shaw	Kenansville.
9	R. M. Williams	Wallace.
10	D. P. McGeachy	Davidson.
11	J. M. Wells, Ph. D.	Wilmington.
12	L. E. Wells	Teacheys.
13	R. M. Mann	Clinton.
14	C. W. Trawick	Wilmington.
15	V. H. Starbuck	Ivanhoe.
16	J. C. Story	Southport.
17	T. D. Johnston	Burgaw.

V.—MECKLENBURG PRESBYTERY.

	MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE.
1	J. R. McAlpine	Pineville.
2	S. C. Boyce	Wolfesville.

	MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE.
3	J. W. Moore	Susaki, Japan.
4	J. M. Grier	Caldwell.
5	William Black	Davidson.
6	T. J. Allison	Charlotte, R. F. D.
7	J. R. Howerton, D. D.	Charlotte.
8	H. W. Hoon	Charlotte.
9	J. A. Dorritee	Charlotte.
10	S. H. Spencer	Morven.
11	J. A. McMurray	Mint Hill.
12	A. H. Temple	Locust.
13	J. J. Harrell	Charlotte, R. F. D.
14	J. R. Bridges, D. D.	Charlotte.
15	W. O. Sample	Charlotte, R. F. D.
16	G. C. Huntington	Charlotte.
17	G. W. Belk	Charlotte.
18	G. L. Cook	Charlotte, R. F. D.
19	W. H. Davis	Charlotte, R. F. D.
20	A. J. McKelway, D. D.	Charlotte.
21	D. McIver	Wadesboro.
22	A. W. White	Roberson, S. C.
23	J. H. Dixon	Waxhaw.
24	Geo. H. Atkinson	Monroe.
25	P. H. Gwinn	Charlotte, R. F. D.
26	J. B. Mack, D. D.	Fort Mill, S. C.
27	J. E. Summers	Derita.
28	M. D. Hardin	Charlotte.

VI.—ALBEMARLE PRESBYTERY.

	MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE.
1	C. N. Wharton	Warrenton.
2	F. W. Farries	Goldsboro.
3	James Thomas	Wilson.
4	E. D. Brown	Kinston.
5	L. C. Vass	Leopoldville Africa
6	W. D. Morton, D. D.	Rocky Mount.
7	E. P. Bradley	Williamsboro.
8	H. S. Bradshaw	Newbern.
9	John E. Wool	Oxford.
10	J. H. Jarvis	Swans Quarter.
11	J. H. Henderlite	Henderson.
12	G. W. Lawson	Washington.

	MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE.
13	R. W. Alexander	Tarboro.
14	F. G. Hartman	Greenville.
15	R. L. Grier	Elizabeth City.
16	C. W. McDonald	Washington.

VII.—ASHEVILLE PRESBYTERY.

	MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE.
1	E. A. Sample	Hendersonville.
2	R. F. Campbell, D. D.	Asheville.
3	E. Mac. Davis	Barnardsville.
4	F. D. Hunt	Waynesville.
5	R. P. Smith	Asheville.
6	R. S. Eskridge	Swannanoa.
7	D. M. Douglas	Brevard.
8	T. W. DeVane	Robbinsville.
9	S. W. Newell	Palm Creek.
10	C. C. Brown	Mills River.
11	R. B. Grinnan, D. D.	Hendersonville.

VIII.—KING'S MOUNTAIN PRESBYTERY.

	MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE.
1	R. Z. Johnston	Lincolnton.
2	J. J. Kennedy	Gastonia.
3	R. A. Miller	Lowell.
4	G. A. Sparrow	Lowell, R. F. D.
5	R. C. Morrison	Wildemere.
6	T. F. Boozer	Gaffney, S. C.
7	M. McG. Shields	Gastonia.
8	M. A. Henderson	Rutherfordton.
9	W. R. Minter	Shelby.
10	T. C. Croker	Columbus.
11	S. L. Cathey	Rutherfordton.
12	W. H. Wilson	Stanley.
13	J. M. Forbis	King's Mountain.
14	W. A. Murray	Lincolnton.
15	J. B. Cochrane	Lowell, R. F. D.

F.

DAILY ORDER OF BUSINESS.

(FROM 22ND RULE OF THE RULES OF PARLIAMENTARY ORDER, APPROVED BY THE SYNOD—STANDING RULE 17.)

1. Prayer.
2. Minutes read.
3. Presentation of papers—
 - (a) Communications addressed to the body.
 - (b) Reports of Standing Committees.
 - (c) Reports of Select Committees.
 - (d) Resolutions.

[Each of which papers may, by unanimous consent, be taken up immediately on presentation; but if objection be made, it shall be docketed.]

4. The Unfinished Business in which the Court was engaged at the last preceding adjournment in preference to the Orders of the Day.

[But such Unfinished Business may, on motion, without debate, be laid on the table to proceed with the Special Order.]

5. The Order of the Day.

6. Regular Docket.

[Motions to elect officers, to appoint committees, and to enroll members, shall always be in order, unless a member is speaking or the Court is voting.]

NOTE.—If the Unfinished Business be laid on the table in order to proceed with the Order of the Day, when the order has been disposed of such Unfinished Business has precedence of the Regular Docket.

G.

THE DOCKET.

OF THE NINETY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA, TO BE HELD IN THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, DURHAM, N. C., ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH, 1904, AT 8 O'CLOCK P. M.

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| Organized | { | I.—ORGANIZATION. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 1. A sermon by the retiring Moderator, Rev. A. T. Graham, D. D. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 2. Synod Constituted with Prayer. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 3. Report of Committee on Enrollment and Roll Call. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 4. Moderator and Temporary Clerks elected. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 5. Fix the Hours of daily Meeting and Adjourning—
Recess or temporary adjournment with Prayer,
is now in order. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | II.—DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | III.—READING THE MINUTES OF LAST MEETING. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Standing
Com-
mittees
Appointed | { | IV.—APPOINT THE FOLLOWING STANDING COMMITTEES: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 1. On Devotional Exercises. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 2. On Bills and Overtures. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 3. A Judicial Committee. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 4. On the Narratives—to prepare an Address to the Churches. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 5. On the Minutes of the General Assembly. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 6. On Union Theological Seminary. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 7. On Systematic Beneficence—Reports. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 8. On Statistical Reports of the Presbyteries. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 9. On the Report of the Trustees of Synod. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 10. On the Treasurer's Report and Books. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 11. On the Records of Synod. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 12. On the Records of the Presbyteries. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| <i>h.</i> | King's Mountain. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 14. On Leave of Absence. See Rule 3 and 21. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Referred to this Committee—All excuses for absence from the last and present meetings of Synod, for tardiness, for absence without leave from last meeting, (see Minutes), and for leave of absence from this meeting.

The following members were absent from the last meeting of Synod (1903) without excuse rendered—See also, Minutes, page 49.

1. *Orange*—Revs. R. W. Culbertson, B. B. Palmer (Colored), C. W. Robinson, R. W. George, S. H. Williamson, J. W. Goodman, B. W. Mebane, D. D., J. H. Grey, S. C. Smith and R. W. Hines.
2. *Concord*—Revs. W. W. Pharr D. D., E. E. Pressly, J. A. Harris, J. M. Greenlee, John Wakefield, G. H. Cornelson, W. A. Gillon, F. M. Allen, W. W. Edge and A. S. Caldwell.
3. *Fayetteville*—Revs. David Fairley, K. A. McLeod, T. F. Haney and V. G. Smith.
4. *Wilmington*—None.
5. *Mecklenburg*—Revs. J. M. Grier, H. W. Hoon, J. A. McMurray, A. H. Temple, J. J. Harrell, J. R. Bridges, D. D., G. C. Huntington, W. H. Davis, A. W. White, J. H. Dixon, J. B. Mack, D. D., and J. E. Summers.
6. *Albemarle*—Revs. James Thomas, J. H. Jarvis, R. L. Grier, and C. W. McDanald.
7. *Asheville*—Revs. E. A. Sample, E. Mac. Davis, R. S. Eskridge, D. M. Douglas, T. W. DeVane, R. P. Smith, C. C. Brown, R. B. Grinnan.
8. *King's Mountain*—Revs. G. A. Sparrow, T. F. Boozer, M. A. Henderson, W. R. Minter, T. C. Croker, J. M. Forbis, J. B. Cochrane.

V.—COMMUNICATIONS READ AND REFERRED.

Reports
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1. Narratives presented and referred.
2. Report of Directors of Union Theological Seminary read and referred.
3. Reports on Systematic Beneficence presented and referred.
4. Statistical Reports presented and referred.
5. Report of Trustees of Synod read and referred.
6. Report of Treasurer read and referred.
7. The Records of Synod presented and referred.
8. Records of the Presbyteries presented and referred.
9. Special Orders of the Day—referred.
10. Appointment of Directors Union Theological Seminary—referred.

NOTE: The term of office of the Fourth Class expires at this meeting of Synod, viz.: Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D., Rev. R. F. Campbell, D. D., Mr. E. Nye Hutchinson.

VI.—STANDING ORDERS OF SYNOD.

Standing
Orders

1. Synodical Communion, Wednesday 11 a. m.
2. Memorial Services immediately after Communion.
3. Devotional Exercises and Preaching each day at last morning hour.
4. Synod recesses from business the afternoon of Second Day.
5. Third Day at 11 o'clock a. m., Devotional Exercises under the direction of the Regents of the Orphans' Home—the Report and a Sermon.
6. Third Day afternoon, the Report and a Conference on the Sabbath.
7. Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock Ministerial Relief—Popular meeting.

VII.—REPORT OF PERMANENT COMMITTEES AND POPULAR MEETINGS.

Report of
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tees

1. Foreign Missions, Wednesday night—Rev. R. E. Caldwell, D. D., Chairman.
2. Synodical Home Missions, Thursday night—Rev. E. E. Gillespie, Supt. and Chairman.
3. Colored Evangelization, Friday night—Rev. R. F. Campbell, D. D., Chairman.
4. Education for the Ministry—Rev. A. T. Graham, Chairman.
5. Church and Christian Education—Rev. J. B. Shearer, D. D., Chairman.
6. Publication and Sabbath School Work, Friday night—Rev. G. H. Cornelson, Chairman.
7. Report of the Board of Regents of Orphans' Home—Third day at 11 a. m.—Dr. Rumble.
8. Bible Cause—Rev. J. M. Wells, Chairman.
9. The Sabbath and Family Religion—Rev. W. D. Morton, Chairman.
10. Ministerial Relief—Rev. E. W. Smith, D. D., Chairman. Thursday afternoon 4 o'clock.
11. Assembly's Home Missions—Rev. J. R. Howerton, D. D., Chairman.
12. Historical Committee—Rev. D. I. Craig, Chairman.

VIII.—MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS, ETC.

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1. Report of Regents of South Atlantic University—Dr. Shearer.
2. Report of Committee on 20th Century Fund—Dr. Smith.
3. Report of Committee on 20th Century Builders' Fund—Rev. R. W. Hines.
4. Reports of Standing Committees.
5. Reports of Special Committees.
6. Election of Supt. of Synodical Home Missions.
7. Election of Ruling Elders on Synodical Com.
8. Election of General Synodical Evangelist.
9. Elect a place and fix the time for next meeting of Synod.
10. How many Copies of Minutes shall be printed.
11. Roll Call and Absentees noted.
12. Minutes read and approved.
13. Adjourn, with Singing, Prayer and Benediction.

STATED CLERK.

